

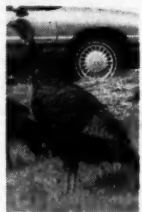
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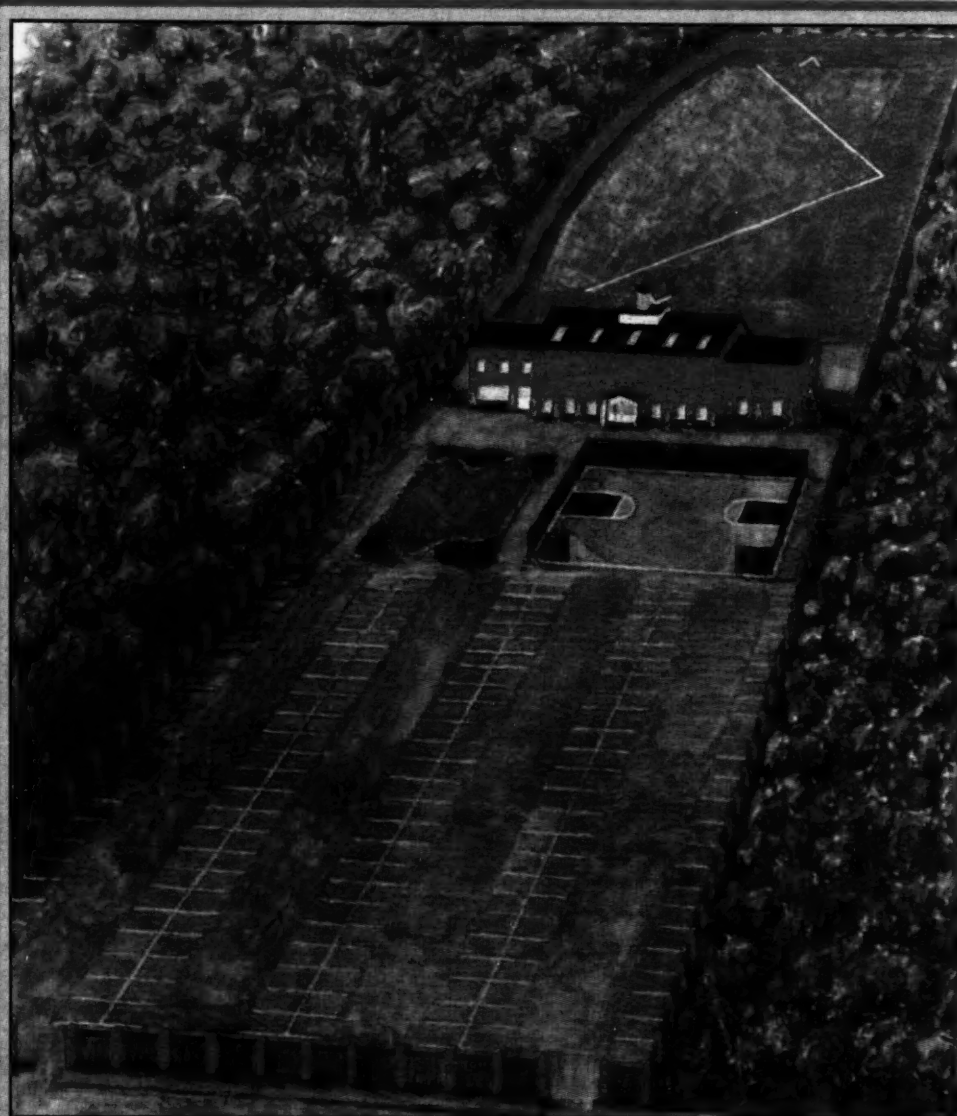


Illustration by Erika Buschmann

Dream coming to life? A youth center on property owned by Merrimack College, featuring indoor-outdoor fields, is being offered by college officials and a local private company, Sport Court.

Youth center unveiled

By Neil Fater

For decades, Andover teens have dreamed of having a youth center. Now, that dream could turn into reality, if the town decides to pursue a lease agreement with Merrimack College and Sport Court, a private company.

Until that decision is made, teens can dream specifically of having a two-story youth center with a hall for concerts and dances, an artificial putting green and a basketball court. They can dream of having a center with a full-size artificial-turf sports field in back, covered when needed by a retractable, inflatable dome so kids could play "outside" all year long.

And they can start dreaming today, because that's the type of offer on the table from Merrimack College and Sport Court.

Sport Court proposes construction of a building and artificial sport fields on Merrimack land near the YMCA. If

Andover is interested in leasing a building and some land, Sport Court would build a bigger building to provide the town's Youth Services department with a full-fledged youth complex.

Selectman Brian Major has discussed this idea for months with Merrimack president Richard Santagati and Andover resident Jim Arnold of Sport Court.

"At least let's investigate this to see if it makes sense for the town of Andover," says Major. "Merrimack and Sport Court would create the whole place, and we would lease space from them, both outdoor and building space."

Major says because Youth Services Director Bill Fahey has been involved with a number of programs, he has not yet been involved in the discussions about this proposal.

"Apparently, it's been reviewed in an

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Fans put life on hold

Got your Sox on?

By Rebecca Lipchitz

The consensus among Andover baseball fans is that the Red Sox have a 50/50 chance to beat the Yankees for the American League pennant this year.

The town was buzzing Tuesday morning after the Sox win against the Cleveland Indians, taking the best-of-five-game division series in dramatic fashion.

Devoted Sox fans say they're excited, and that this year has been different from all the others, while even fair-weather fans jump on board.

Indeed, fans have so far been riding the classic Sox roller coaster. The Boston team only made it into the playoffs as the wild card contender. Then they lost the first two games — the second an 11-1 rout. But then they took three in a row.

Game three was a convincing 9-3, then they routed the Tribe 23-7 in game four at home. The final in Cleveland Monday night, ended 12-8, with a stellar performance by injured pitcher Pedro Martinez, who entered the tie game (8-8) in the fourth inning and pitched six hitless innings.

"Everybody in here is dragging because

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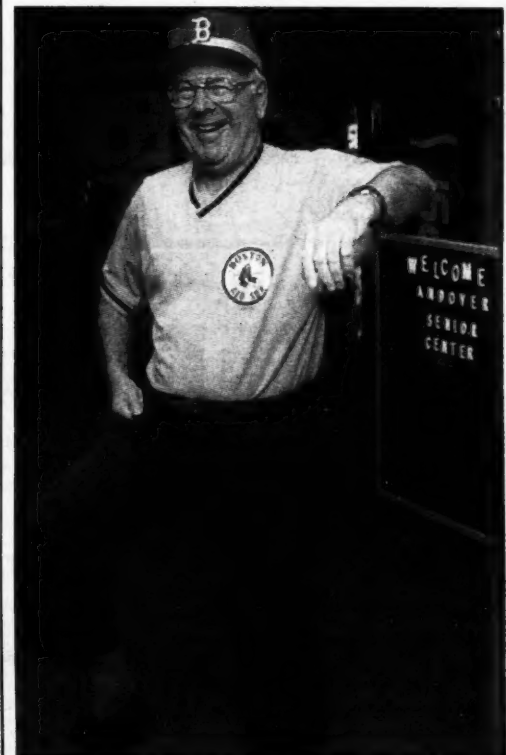


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Sock it to 'em — Gus Lohrey is decked out in a fan's outfit.



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TownTalk



Photo by Pat VanVleet

Birds are the word — The VanVleet and Fox families of Paulornette Circle had some unexpected visitors Sunday, Oct. 3, when five female wild turkeys wandered into the yard, had a snack from the bird feeder and took a dust bath for about an hour. Apparently, they know it's another six weeks to Thanksgiving.

Local doc is local hero

The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (MSPCC) has selected Dr. Rita DeLollis of Andover as a "Village Hero."

The Village Hero distinction is part of MSPCC's largest annual event, "A Family Affair." This year's theme is "It Takes a Village" and MSPCC is saluting individuals across the state who have made significant contributions to the children in their community.

DeLollis was chosen from the MSPCC's Metro region. She is a pediatrician at Pediatric Associates of Medford, a developmental disability consultant at Winchester and South Shore hospitals, a regional specialist for Harvard Vanguard and is involved in asthma research.

DeLollis, an Andover resident for 17 years, was instrumental in the development of MSPCC's nationally recognized GoodStart program, which provides customized home-based parent education and support to families with children ages birth to 3 years.

The program is now closing in

on 20 years of existence, DeLollis says.

"One of the things I did in my youth, as I was finishing my residency, was to work for a year in a pediatric psychiatric unit," she says, "and while I was there, I saw a lot of cases of child abuse and neglect. These were the really hard cases."

It became obvious, she says, that "prevention was the need. About 40 percent of these kids had been sick newborns, with problems that could have been addressed then."

So she wrote a federal grant, and started a program at St. Margaret's Hospital that lasted until 1993, when the hospital was bought out.

"The gist of it was to take care of families in the hospital when the child was born," DeLollis says, "because a lot of things that have to do with prematurity have to do with things that are abuse related. I found that sick babies had four times as many 51As (reports of abuse or neglect)."

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Kennedy to speak at Vets Day breakfast

The American Red Cross of Merrimack Valley announced that Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D-Massachusetts) will be the keynote speaker at its annual Veterans Day Breakfast on Monday, Nov. 8, at the Wyndham Andover (formerly Marriott Hotel) at 7:30 a.m.

The Red Cross is cosponsoring the breakfast with the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Although it will honor all veterans, there will be a special tribute to those who served in World War II. This year marks the 60th anniversary of the start of that war.

Tickets are \$20. A business may purchase a table for \$200, and veterans' groups may purchase a table for \$150.

For ticket reservations and information, call the Red Cross office at 683-2465 or (978) 372-6871.

Raytheon protesters in court Wednesday

Six activists who allegedly trespassed at Raytheon in protest of weapons manufacturing faced charges yesterday in Lawrence District Court.

On May 27, six people blocked the entrance to Raytheon during a morning shift change and were arrested by Andover Police for trespassing. Sean Donahue, of Lawrence, was one of the six. He says that he is prepared to go to jail if necessary.

"We are willing to bring suffering on ourselves to bring and end to violence and prevent greater harm. That is the

basis of non-violent resistance," Donahue says.

Arrested were Lauren Cannon, of Portsmouth, N.H.; Eddie Dyer, of Medford; Kenji Warren, of Washington, D.C.; and Donahue, Jonathan Leavitt and Kateri McCarthy, all of Lawrence.

Donahue expects the trial to continue through this week. All six defendants plan to represent themselves, he says.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

Rogers Center sets open house Oct. 24

The public is invited to an Open House at the new Rogers Center for the Arts, on the Merrimack College campus, Route 114, North Andover, next Sunday, Oct. 24, from noon to 3 p.m.

The new 600-seat performing arts center was made possible in large part by a \$2-million grant from the Rogers Family Foundation.

Web poll results

Last week's question on the *Townsmen's* Web page was, Would you like your Fleet Bank account moved to a different bank, as part of the Fleet merger with BankBoston?

With 15 online voters weighing in, the answer was an overwhelming "no." The vote was 13-2, or 87-13 percent.

This week's question is: Can the Red Sox beat the Yankees in the American League Championship Series?

Surf to www.andovertownsmen.com BEFORE THE END OF THIS WEEK, and cast your vote.

For the record

Due to a reporting error, the *Townsmen* incorrectly reported last week that Vicki Simms did not attend a memorial service for her late husband, Larry Robinson, held at Andover High School on Monday, October 4. She was present at the event. The *Townsmen* regrets the error.

Quote, unquote . . .

"They have every right to be on that road. But if those road signs suggest to a commuter that they drive as they would in their neighborhood, then that's what we want. We just want to slow the traffic down."

Police Officer Robert Cronin, on new signs and more intensive speed enforcement in Ballardvale.

"We're just hoping someone will call us. We're only as good as the information we're getting."

Police Det. Don Pattullo, asking for residents to help the department solve a string of house breaks.

"I don't think it's totally fair, but it's a beginning."

Assistant Schools Superintendent Marinel McGrath, on the use of MCAS test scores to rank school systems.

NEWS CALENDAR

Thursday, October 14

Andover Housing Authority, 100 Morton Street, 7 p.m.

School Building Committee, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7 p.m.

Friday, October 15

Healthy Communities Tobacco Awareness Committee, Old Town Hall, 11 a.m.

Monday, October 18

Board of Health, second-floor conference room, Town Offices, 6 p.m.

Board of Selectmen, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:30 p.m.

Doherty School Council, McGrail Media Center, Doherty Middle School, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, October 19

South School Council, school conference room, 55 Woburn Street, 7:30

a.m.

NESWC Board of Directors, Arlington Community Safety Building, Arlington, noon.

School Committee, Merrimack College, executive session, 3 p.m.; School Committee room, School Administration Building, executive session, 6:30 p.m., regular meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Conservation Commission, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, October 20

West Elementary Council, conference room, West Elementary School, 3:30 p.m.

Finance Committee, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:30 p.m.

School Building Committee, with the Andover Service Club, Andover Inn, 7:30 a.m.; with the Finance Committee, third-floor conference room Town Offices, 8:30 p.m.

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The MSPCC was involved almost from the beginning, she says, and the program was named GoodStart in 1983. There are now 29 programs statewide, with much of the funding coming from the United Way.

The impact of the program, she says, was immediately apparent. "The number of 51As went from four to six times as many as those for healthy kids, down to about half again as many," she says.

The MSPCC agrees. "Rita DeLollis has certainly served as a Village Hero in the entire Boston and metro area. Her efforts on behalf of children have greatly impacted the lives of countless families in our community," says Bill Hunter, regional administrator for the Metro Region.

Each year, families are honored for their commitment to each other and for the contributions they have made on behalf of children. The 13th annual Family Affair celebration will be held Tuesday, Oct. 26, at the Marriott Hotel Copley in Boston.

The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children is a private, non-

profit child welfare agency with a long-standing commitment to the children of Massachusetts. Since 1878, MSPCC has served as a leading advocate for children and families, providing programs that prevent child abuse, treat victims of abuse and neglect, and strengthen families.

She's a teen queen

Kira Naomi Ventura, 16, a junior at Andover High School, was selected first runner-up in the 1999 Miss Teen Boston Pageant held Oct. 2 and 3 at Boston Marriott Copley Place and Worcester State College.

Ventura completed an interview with judges, modeled casual and formal wear and answered questions for six judges and an audience of more than 500. Personality, poise and composure were the main criteria used to score contestants' answers to the questions posed by the judges. Ventura was among 10 finalists from the 54 competing in her division, and then had to answer a question



Kira Ventura

picked randomly on the spot.

The Miss Teen Boston competition included women ages 16 to 19. Ventura was the youngest competitor selected as a finalist in her division. She has earned the opportunity to compete for the Miss Teen National Title at a pageant to be held in Orlando, Fla., Dec. 16-21. Teens will represent 52 cities across North America.

Ventura's participation in the Boston pageant was made possible through sponsorships from Andover businesses, including Andover Eye Care, Andover Candle and Bath, Andover School of Ballet, Spinners Pizza, Young Lee/Doherty Realtors, Andover Dance and Costume, Andover Animal Hospital, New Beginnings, My Brother's Pizza, Paul's Shoe Repair and Circles of Wisdom.

Here she is, Mrs. Essex County

She has a flair for farm photography. She gets creative with caviar. And now she may appear at every Christmas parade in Essex County.

Wilda G. Squires, 53, is the first Andover resident in many years to win the title of Mrs. Essex County at the Topsfield Fair.

"I'm thrilled to death," she says. Squires, an Andover resident of nine years, has traveled the world as a manager for United



Wilda G. Squires

Airlines before retiring on medical leave. Her worldly experience, community service and a few cherry pepper shooters won her first place at the pageant on Sunday.

In her second run at the title, Squires decided to take the contest more seriously this year, she says.

"Everyone affiliated with the pageant was so warm and gracious to me, and encouraged me to seek it again," she says.

She returned to Andover after having left the Merrimack Valley for 25 years, she says. Her family is formerly of Winchester.

"I didn't know what to expect or how to fit back into a community at my age," she says of her

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return. But getting involved in local activities, especially at her church, made her feel welcome again, she says.

"This (title) will give me an opportunity to represent an area and people I love very much," she says.

She holds several duties at St. Augustine Church including lay minister. She is also a member of the Newcomers Club, the Andovers Artists Guild, and the Art Institute Group of the Merrimack Valley.

To win the Mrs. Essex County pageant, the contestant must pass a series of interviews with judges, answer a question on stage at the pageant, and present a recipe, in this case a "Millennium hors d'oeuvre."

After returning with caviar from a trip to Russia, and being presented with a challenge for a New Year's Eve recipe, she decided to get creative.

"I could have eaten it with toast points, but I was trying to figure out what I could do with it," she

says.

She made Millennium caviar and eggs, deviled eggs filled with caviar piped into mini phyllo dough shells garnished with onion and parsley.

In addition to the Mrs. Essex County pageant, she won awards in cooking for her cabbage and keilbasa soup, poached pear dessert, chili, and Caribbean cherry pepper shooters, strips of hot cherry peppers and a chunk of pineapple wrapped in prosciutto.

Despite the accolades, she denies that she has any expertise in cooking.

"I cook moderately, like most women. It's not a hobby of mine," she says.

She also won awards for her farm photography.

Duties fulfilled by Mrs. Essex County include presiding over the Topsfield Fair and some 4H Club events, and various public appearances including Christmas parades, likely to include Andover's Christmas parade.

— Rebecca Lipchitz



Helpful rollers — A group calling itself "Women on Wheels" raised more than \$3,000 for the American Lung Association of Massachusetts during its 15th annual "Autumn Escape" bike trek from Plymouth to Provincetown over the weekend of Sept. 17-19. The group formed over the summer, when eight Andover women were joined by four from North Andover and one former Andoverite now living in Ipswich, plus one daughter and one son (nicknamed "Dan the Only Man"). The group, which set off on day two of the trek, covered 100 miles from Sandwich to Provincetown. Standing, from left, are Laura Russell, Kathy Shannon, Jackie Rutter, Dan Booth, Lani Arnsen, Beth Ellen Hopkins, Susan Russell, Yoshiko Gray, Chris Christoforo, Leah Russell and Gail Woolford. Seated are Fran Booth, Carey Adams, Mary Pritchard and Leslie Ganley.

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Ballardvale signs getting mixed reviews

By Neil Fater

Police may be out stopping speeders in Ballardvale regularly, but discussion about Ballardvale traffic shows no signs of stopping.

The very day signs encouraging commuters to seek an alternate route were installed on Clark Road and River Street, one annoyed and anonymous caller to the *Townsmen* railed against residents, who she contended were trying to make private ways out of public streets.

Not all residents are of the same mind toward the signs either.

Selectman Mary French says the Ballardvale Traffic Task Force will discuss the variety of opinions about the signs and the traffic at its next meeting, Oct. 21.

"I have heard from people in the area with some very different kinds of

reports," says French, a task force member. "I don't think I've heard anyone who's wildly enthusiastic (about the signs)."

But police believe their recent presence in the area has made a difference.

"From our standpoint, the message is definitely out there. I'm getting calls and e-mail from people saying, 'I'm driving the speed limit and such-and-such was behind me, tailgating,'" says Officer Robert Cronin.

He says some people have even supplied the

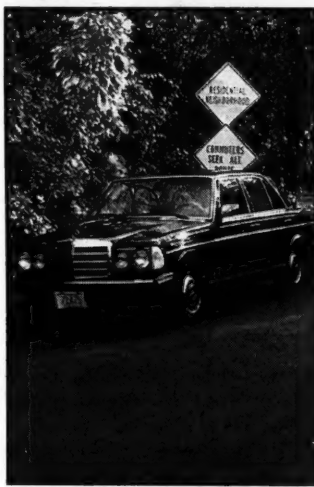


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

The signs — Some love them, some don't.

police with license plates, and Cronin has written the owners of these vehicles letters.

Police have been issuing both warnings and tickets to speeders at a rate of about 10 tickets per four-hour shift, "which is considerable when you consider a ticket might be a 10-minute process," says Cronin.

"Talking to the individual officers, traffic has really slowed down out there. I think people are getting the message," says Cronin.

Police believe that by slowing down drivers,

police will eventually thin out the traffic.

"If the speeds come down and it's now a longer commute to go the back way (through Ballardvale to Interstate-93), people may opt to go on the highway. That is the intent of this," he says.

Police have done the majority of their details on Lowell Junction Road, River Street and Andover Street.

"I've seen them out, and they've clearly been visible, which is good. As far as the effect of that, it's probably too early to tell," says Bill Pennington, whose Clark Road home provides him with the perfect view of daily traffic.

"Overall, I think there's been less traffic, especially in the afternoon," he says. "I don't think the volume in the morning has changed."

Because traffic stalls on Interstate-93 every morning, commuters are still using the Ballardvale short cut then, he says.

"As far as the speed goes," laughs Pennington, "I know I'm watching it."

Cronin says commuters simply need to do the same. Police cannot enforce a no-commuters-allowed road policy, but can help remind people they are driving on roads where people live, he says.

"If they choose not to (seek an alternate route), they have every right to be on that road," says Cronin. "But if those road signs suggest to a commuter that they drive as they would in their neighborhood, then that's what we want. We just want to slow the traffic down."

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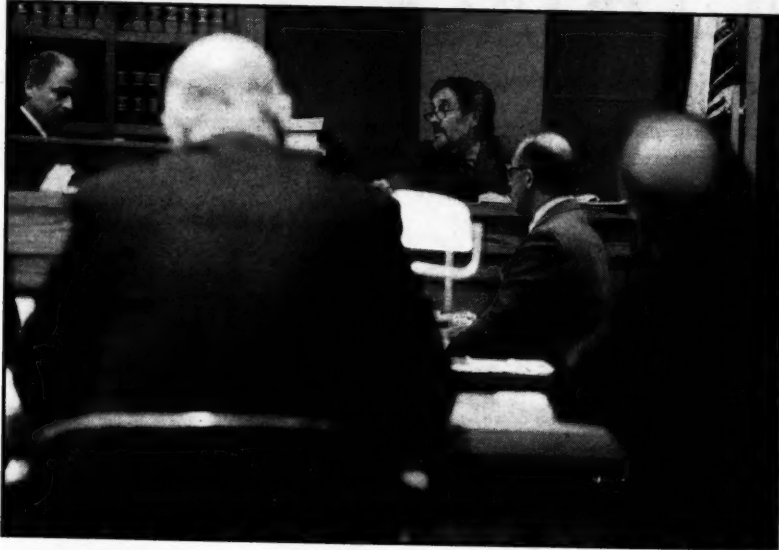


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On the stand — Marriage counselor Michael Lawler is questioned during a pretrial hearing for Dr. James Kartell. Superior Court Justice Howard Whitehead is at upper left. In the foreground are Kartell (right) and his attorney, J.W. Carney.

By Neil Fater

Accused murderer James Kartell will not be allowed back into the hospital where he allegedly shot and killed his estranged wife's fiancé.

Lawrence Superior Court Judge Howard Whitehead ruled at a pretrial hearing last Thursday, Oct. 7, that barring Kartell from joining his lawyers at Holy Family Hospital is reasonable, because Kartell's presence would upset hospital employees.

Kartell is accused of shooting Janos Vajda on Feb. 23, when both men came to a Holy Family hospital room to visit Kartell's wife, Suzan Kamm. Kamm has said she planned to divorce Kartell and marry Vajda.

While Whitehead refused to grant Kartell entrance to Holy Family, he still must decide if Kartell's notes to marriage counselor Michael Lawler can be entered as evidence.

Assistant District Attorney

Fred McAlary, the prosecutor in the case, says the notes should become evidence because Lawler is not a licensed psychotherapist.

The defense argues Lawler should not have to share his notes because Lawler is eligible for a license, and the notes should be protected by doctor/patient privilege.

The defense questioned Lawler about his post-graduate studies, field work and related experience for about 90 minutes at the hearing. Lawler is slated for another afternoon on the stand Tuesday, Oct. 26, at noon.

At Harvard, Lawler was able to create many of his own courses with his professors, he said.

"I didn't have a traditional course of curriculum. I made up my own course of study," said Lawler. "I submitted a proposal to the faculty and they accepted it."

During his cross-examination, McAlary tried to show Lawler's experience does not meet the requirements for a license.

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Sox: the only game in town

There are plenty of mundane tasks to do this week. Columbus Day is over. It's time to get back to school and back to work. There are classes to attend, lessons to take and homework to do. There are reports to write, meetings to attend and sales calls piling up in the Rolodex.

But, you see, the Red Sox beat the Indians. Three straight, by the way, after being two down. They're booked to contend for the American League pennant. That other stuff is just going to have to wait.

It's not as if there are no municipal issues on the front burner. There is money to be raised for a senior center. There are even plans taking shape for a youth center. There are two new schools to build, which means there are site plans to review, traffic patterns to discuss and sidewalks to debate.

Affordable housing, historic preservation and open space are on the table again, thanks to the proposed Community Preservation Act. There is some doubt about who's going to plow our streets, or how much it's going to cost when it snows. And it could snow in a week or so. You never know.

Sorry, don't bother us about that right now. Around here, it's still summer, because the Red Sox are playing the Yankees for the pennant. In the last year of the century — yea, verily the millenium!

There are unsettling signs that the economy may be slowing down a bit. It's important that we, as members of the instant-gratification society, do our part to keep things humming. We need to be shopping more now than ever. Clothes, cars, computers, jewelry, whatever. There are a couple of new benches down at the corner of Main and Punchard, to make the downtown shopping atmosphere a bit more pleasant.

But even shopping is going to have to wait. Even if New York and the ghost of the Bambino torch the Sox in four straight, they're in the hunt through this weekend. We're looking at Pedro vs. Roger. We can't even think about shopping.

Baseball is only a game. It's much more important to maintain our health — to eat a balanced diet of fruits, vegetables and whole grains, and to get a regular amount of sleep every night. Night after night of sausages, Fenway Franks, beer and carousing is not good. Not good at all.

Sorry. Don't talk to us about health. You see, the Red Sox are playing the Yankees for the American League pennant. And for now, that's all you need to know around here.



Is he awesome or what? Special effects wizard, Selectman Brian Major, complete with fake amputated hand and a bit of intestinal discomfort, serves as a "victim" in a Jaws of Life/vehicle extraction demonstration at the Fire Department Open House Saturday. Firefighter John Hines helps him out of the car. Papa Ginos helped sponsor the day, with pizzas and plastic helmets for the kids.

The worse-than-expected Mozart effect



Taylor Armerding

The good news, for all of you parents who are passionate about giving your kids a head start, a leg up, a helping hand and an advance ticket to Lake Woebegone, is that I have convincing evidence that the so-called "Mozart effect" is real.

The bad news is that it might not be exactly the effect you expected.

This is important, you see, because this past week came word of the Harvard neuropsychologist who has devoted considerable effort to debunking the theory that listening to classical music can boost your offspring's IQ, to even greater heights than the genius level you already know he or she possesses.

Supposedly, Christopher Chabris has got the numbers. All you expectant moms who have been blasting the soundtrack of *Amadeus* at your belly for several months, all you parents who make sure your little ones drop off to sleep listening to *Requiem*, should lighten up, enjoy yourselves

and just toss the Limp Bizkit CD back into the player. There is no statistical evidence of that kind of magic in Mozart.

But research be darned, apparently, because parents don't want to, uh, hear it, so to speak. I'm not sure what that says about parental IQs, but it probably says at least something about their survival instincts, since there is ample evidence that, whatever it does to their intellect, classical music helps kids fall asleep. And what's more important than that for parents of preschool kids?

Still, I could have saved Chabris and the rest of you the trouble, if you'd all just come and talked to me first. I could be the poster boy for the Mozart effect.

I grew up in a family thoroughly immersed in classical music. I could hum along with every movement of the *Peer Gynt Suite* by the time I was a toddler. I fell asleep to my mother playing the piano almost every night. During the afternoons I listened as she taught elementary Mozart compositions to the students who trooped through our house. She started teaching piano to my four siblings and me by the time we were 5 years old. All classical, all the time.

The three boys in the family eventually drifted away from the piano, but the two girls stuck with it. So even through high school, I would frequently fall asleep to the sound of my

older sister running through Bach, Brahms, Beethoven, Handel and yes, Mozart. In other words, both my conscious and unconscious were suffused with classical music messages during my childhood and adolescence.

And what has been the result of this "higher-learning" immersion?

Well, I'm sure you all realize by now that I'm smarter than the rest of you out there. How else do you think I made it this far on the intellectual mountaintop that is modern journalism?

But, before you all go rushing out to buy the latest Mozart compilation CD so your kids can be just like me (after you get done camping out overnight to enroll them in the SHED program), consider this as well: I've played in a bluegrass band for about 25 years.

I don't say that with any embarrassment. I'm passionate about it. I still get a rush that's much cleaner and uplifting than any drug high when I'm surrounded by high, lonesome vocal harmonies and driving rhythm.

From the time I first heard the authentic sound on a hillside in North Carolina, it was a bit like a religious conversion. I was a year out of college and was instantly hooked for life.

But I also have to admit to the reality that, seen through the lens of the

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Letters

Build more sidewalks

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The following letter was sent to School Building Committee Chairman Mark Johnson.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

In a recent article regarding the new school site plan ("School site plan near completion," *Townsmen*, Sept. 30), mention was made of sidewalks planned for certain streets near the new schools. The article does not mention the stretch of High Plain Road from Cross Street to Haggetts Pond Road. This stretch of road is extremely hazardous. Over the past few years, there have been several accidents involving single cars, multiple cars, and cars and bicycles. It is amazing that no one has been killed. With the anticipated increase in motor traffic, this road will become increasingly dangerous, particularly for the numerous children who will be walking to and from school during the most heavily traveled hours.

We strongly urge that sidewalks be built on the Haggetts Pond Road-to-Cross Street section of High Plain Road in order to insure the safety of the children going to and from school and the residents of the neighborhood. We believe it would be negligent of the town of Andover not to take this step in view of the critical safety issues at stake. Accordingly, we request that the School Building Committee and the plan architects incorporate these sidewalks into the site plan.

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Nickel Hill putting profits over health

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I must respond to the disingenuous statements that Nickel Hill's Tom Favinger made last week ("As hearings approach, power plant debate heats up," *Townsmen*, Oct. 7).

Contrary to Mr. Favinger's remarks that Nickel Hill has fully responded to all of the questions put to it at the Energy Facilities Siting Board proceedings, and that we (the MVRE) merely "don't like the answers," the fact is that Nickel Hill has refused to provide basic information to the siting board and to the interveners.

For example, the levels of air pollution emissions are in large part dependent upon the number of times the power plant must shut down and start up during the year. Indeed, Nickel Hill has revised its emissions estimate for, among other things, volatile organic

compounds (VOCs) from 74 tpy (tons per year) to 49 tpy based on a "refined" calculation of its anticipated start ups and shut downs.

Yet, Nickel Hill has repeatedly refused to give a full account for such calculations. Moreover, it constantly contradicts itself, stating to the siting board that it "does not believe it has any further relevant documentation to support these calculations" while simultaneously promising to "supplement its responses dealing with the calculation of annual emissions..." (Atty. Rosenzweig 9/22/99 letter to EFSB, at p. 3).

One wonders how such supplementation could shed any light, however, as Nickel Hill further insists that it "cannot determine with specificity how many hours per year the project will operate." (Id., at p. 4).

The siting board has even ordered Nickel Hill to produce additional information, yet Nickel Hill continues to refuse. Meanwhile, the siting board lamely does nothing.

Another important contradiction made by Nickel Hill that calls into question their credibility concerns the levels of ammonia Nickel Hill has promised would be limited in the event the proposed power plant is built.

In its Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR), Nickel Hill represented that it anticipated only two parts per million (ppm) ammonia slip. In its Air Permit Application recently filed with the Department of Environmental Protection, Nickel Hill guarantees 10 ppm ammonia slip, a massive change in estimates to levels that are far beyond acceptable for human health, even for conservative staffers within the DEP.

In addition, the air permit application guarantees much higher levels of VOC and carbon monoxide emissions than what Nickel Hill has represented in the DEIR and to the people of Dracut, who have somehow apparently been convinced that an excess of 600 tpy of air pollution on an annual basis could be considered "clean."

Finally, contrary to his statements that SCONOX is not available, the fact is that Pacific Gas and Electric has in California permitted a 262 megawatt (mw) turbine (Nickel Hill's proposed turbines will be at 375 mw) to run on SCONOX technology. The plant in California is approved for 1,000 mw, while the proposed Nickel Hill plant is seeking approval for 750 mw.

SCONOX technology is important because it would eliminate the need for ammonia emissions and it would substantially reduce VOC, particulate matter and other hazardous emissions. But the cleaner technology costs more money than the dirtier technology Nickel Hill hopes to use. What a disappointment (but not a surprise) that Tom Favinger and the people at Nickel Hill would place their profits over the health and safety of the people in this area.

Christopher T. Vrontas
379 River Road

Riding the rail thing



Christine Bagley

I love people. My idea of a good time when I was a kid was to go to Logan Airport and sit in the terminal, just watching people. Now I take the train and do the same thing (if I'm not reading the latest *Spenser*). The people you are about to meet are only a smattering of the train population, but if you take the train, you know who they are.

Every morning at 7, more than 200 passengers board the Andover train for Boston, blowing on their coffee mugs, chatting with fellow commuters, listening to their Walkmans or just deep in thought, they all wait for the big white light, as the train rounds the corner and rumbles down the track.

Commuters file in like cattle, and immediately try to find seat Nirvana. This is a seat that's firm yet plump, not hollowed out in the middle like a toilet bowl. A seat with no crumbs or sticky Coke stains, and a clean window. Eventually everyone settles down and sets up camp. This is where it gets interesting.

Usually people pull out their newspaper or paperback and try to catch up on their reading (favorites are *The Boston Globe*, Stephen King and Patricia Cornwell). Some take a little snooze, or just sip their coffee and think about the perfect job. (The one that's closer to home so they don't have to commute.)

But there are others who do everything but take a shower and shave their legs on the ride. I don't know how some women do it, but they are able to apply mascara, eyeliner, blush and lipstick with such precision that they could work blindfolded in a dynamite plant. This is done while the balancing a mirror in one hand and make-up in the other, as the train jerks and bumps its way to Boston. Yet I never see signs of a sideswipe running across their cheek. I don't even recognize some of them when we get to North Station.

Some people like to get in a whole day's work on the morning commute. They are efficient and organized, and one project rapidly follows another. Often they have breakfast first. Toast, bagels, juice and coffee are meticulously arranged on top of a briefcase, which doubles as a breakfast nook. After dining, they use a napkin, and then fold it neatly back into the alphabetically-arranged briefcase with remnants of the meal. The papers come back out, and the briefcase serves as a desktop while the performance evaluation, spreadsheet, or letter is drafted. These are the magna cum laude graduates of time management.

Then there are the laptopers. I've seen some pretty interesting e-mails, Web sites and sci-fi games. But you need to give the laptopers space. Their whole life is in their heads. A polite hello may be exchanged, but beyond that the laptop is here to work or play on their latest toy.

You can always tell the first-timers on the train. They arrange their parcels neatly on the overhead rack or on the floor, snugly against their leg. The train pass has been out since they left their car and

is securely placed under the leather lapel on top of the seat in front. They sit up straight, nervously checking each stop against the schedule. They don't read, listen to music, or eat. Usually they ask a lot of questions, especially if we're at North Station yet. It's a new experience, and they're afraid they'll end up in Hartford if they don't pay attention.

It has always amazed me how some people can sleep on the train, yet many do. Shortly after settling in, a rhythmic drone begins, which increases as the sleep deepens. Mouths wide open, head thrown back in wild abandon, they conduct a minor symphony of sounds and snorts, completely oblivious to their surroundings. Sometimes it becomes so loud they wake themselves up and look around, trying to figure out where they are. Other passengers politely look away and pretend everything is normal.

Guest column

Fifty minutes later, we arrive at North Station. The aromas of coffee, doughnuts, and sausage biscuits permeate the air from the North Station McDonald's and Dunkin' Donuts.

At the other end of the day, it's a cattle roundup in North Station. Everyone is crowded together, checking the monitors, trying to squeeze in between the automatic doors to their respective tracks. People can be merciless in their pursuit of being first. They are first through the door, first to find a seat, first to stand up at their station (or long before), first to get off, first to their car, and first to speed out of the parking lot. Whew!

At home, you know they're first in the shower and first to leave the dinner table.

There is such a thing as train etiquette. For example, if the train is crowded, you don't put your stuff on the empty seat next to you and pretend you don't notice people looking for a seat. Yet, people actually get huffy if someone would like to sit rather than stand for the next hour. In a major production, they sweep their parcels off the seat, throw them on the floor and turn an angry look on the newcomer as if to say, "How dare you invade my space?"

But there are others who make up for it. One morning I had tried to hoist my backpack over my right shoulder and couldn't align it with my pocketbook, hence becoming tangled up in a straitjacket of straps. All of a sudden I felt a hand adjusting the strap for me and turned around to see an older gentleman smiling at me. Not five minutes later, I saw a blind man tapping his cane in front of him heading too close to the edge of the track. Three people guided him away from the track, and one woman actually walked him out of North Station. It warmed my heart and changed my entire mood.

By the time the train rolls back into Andover a little after 6, I'm in a semi coma. Goodnights are exchanged between train friends — people you see every day of your working life. It's amazing the ground you can cover in one commute sometimes. I've recollected my entire adolescence, life's most embarrassing moments, career objectives, and personal goals with my train friends. For me, it makes riding the rails that much more fun and interesting.

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Kartell ...

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ences," said McAlary, opening his questioning.

But while Lawler admitted his schooling was a bit out of the ordinary, he maintained his experience qualifies him for a license.

"They don't fit neatly. I think they do fit the requirements," said Lawler.

Suzan Kamm watched the proceedings, at one point writing a note that was passed by a bailiff to McAlary.

No doc allowed

Although Kartell can not return to Holy Family, the hospital where he worked for 24 years, Kartell's lawyers will be allowed access to see and measure the room where the fatal shooting occurred.

"It was clear to me from the hospital presentation that both the hospital as an entity, and some of its employees, have very strong objections to having Dr. Kartell come on the premises no matter what the time of day," said Whitehead. "I understand that."

"Against that, there's a good argument by (Kartell's lawyer) Mr. Carney. There's nothing like being there," he said.

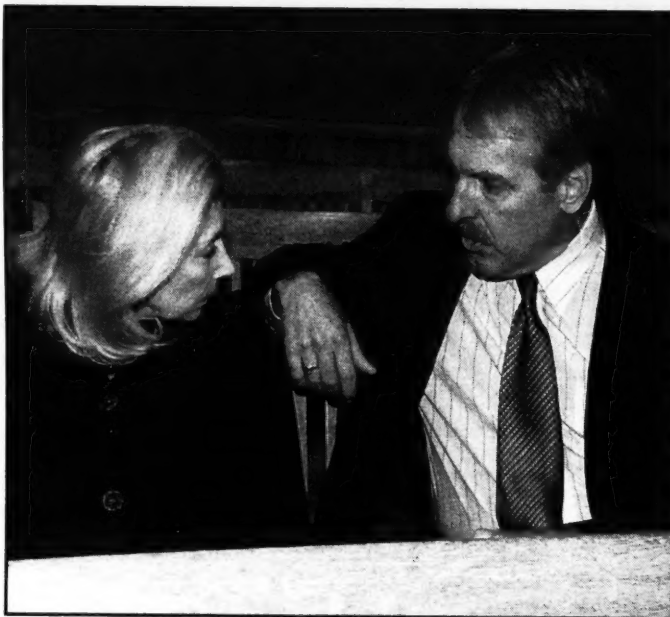


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Conferring — Dr. Suzan Kamm speaks with Assistant DA Fred McAlary.

ing like being there," he said.

Holy Family Hospital does not object to Kartell's lawyers being granted access, said Whitehead.

After the shooting, Trauma Intervention Program of Merrimack Valley responded to the hospital to help hospital workers traumatized by the incident. A healing Mass, attended by the Vajda family and hospital workers, was held later, with Cardinal Bernard Law presiding.

Mozart ...

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classical music purist, this is like forsaking the penthouse for the backwoods lean-to. This is like pushing away the filet mignon to dive into a plate of scrapple and grits. This is like making an even trade of an Armani suit for a pair of bib overalls.

In short, many of my good classical friends, tolerant as they try to be, view my devotion to this stuff as hanging out in the musical slums.

So I'm sure most of you parents out there don't want this to happen to your kids. So what to do?

Well, I think it's pretty simple. You just apply the reverse psychology that works so well in other areas. You fill their senses with bluegrass from the moment of conception. You pop a Bill Monroe CD into your player starting when they're about three months in utero, and let it rip. You tuck your infant into the crib at night to Ralph Stanley and the Clinch Mountain Boys keening their way through *Rank Strangers*. (You want intellectual? Did you know that

Ralph has an honorary Ph.D. from some college somewhere in the south?)

You carry your Flatt and Scruggs compilation with you in the car, and when the kid gets fussy, just crank it up. Don't worry when the fussing becomes wild-eyed screaming. Just wave and smile at the kid when he's frantically trying to plug his ears to the frantic plinka plinka of *Foggy Mountain Breakdown*.

When you want the kid to take a nap, fill the room with the shrill, piercing wail of the Osborne Brothers singing "Ruuuuubeeeeeeey. Honey are you maaaaad aaaaat your man?"

In the end, it will all be worth it. Your son or daughter will go off to college with a very relieved smile. And I suspect you will soon hear that, unlike most of the rooms in the dorm, one of them is filled with the lush, intellectual sounds of the classical masters of the 18th century.

You'll know it was all because of you. And you'll know that the ticket to Lake Wobegone has arrived.

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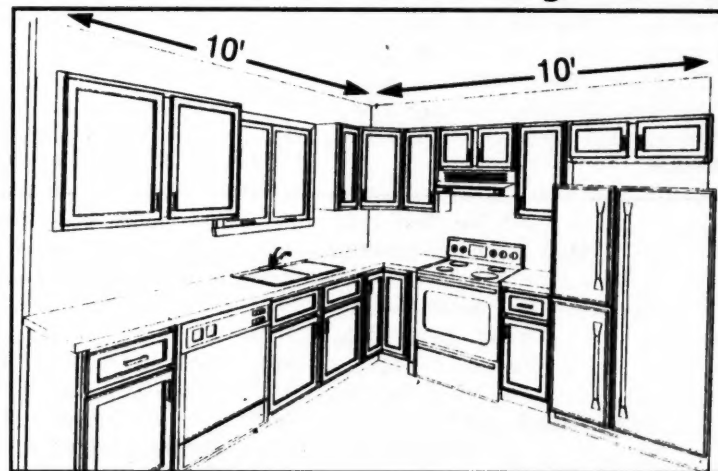
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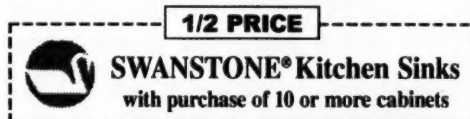
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Education

State: School ratings based on MCAS just the beginning

By Rebecca Lipchitz

Evaluating school systems based on improvements in their MCAS scores may be a good start to developing a system of accountability, but it shouldn't be the only way, says Andover Assistant Superintendent of Schools Marinel McGrath.

McGrath worked with the state in developing the system, which she says is a work in progress.

"I don't think it's totally fair, but it's a beginning," McGrath says.

She believes the state should consider other factors as well in evaluating school systems, such as drop-out rates, student and teacher attendance rates, and professional development.

The system so far will evaluate school systems based on improvements in their MCAS scores.

This fall, an interim report of 1999 scores compared to 1998 baseline scores will be used to target and begin providing assistance to the lowest-performing schools, but more formal evaluations will be made for the first time in the spring of 2001, when the Department of Education releases reports on MCAS scores, analysis, and issues school performance ratings.

The analysis will be based on a formula that compares 1998 scores to an average of scores from 1999 and 2000.

Once scores are compared at every school, the entire school system will be evaluated and rated as performing at a very high level, high, moderate, low, very low or critically low level.

A school in which 80 percent or more of students score at proficient or advanced levels, and 5 percent or fewer students score at failing level would be considered "very high-performing."

A school with more than 60 percent of its students scoring at failing level will be placed in the "critically low" performance category.

Schools with 40 percent or more students scored as proficient or advanced and 20 percent or fewer scoring at failing level will be considered moderate.



Marinel McGrath

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Paper Magic unfolds at St. Augustine

For students at St. Augustine School, it all fits together this week. Students in every grade will have a chance to make unique collages as part of an arts program, and have their work reproduced and displayed.

Collage artists Susan and Wil Johnson of North Andover created an artist-in-residence program, Paper Magic, in which students create collages from clippings and handmade papers. The Johnsons then varnish, photograph and mat each student's collage and produce a note card reproduction.

Elementary and middle-school students at St. Augustine will create more than 450 collages, which will be on display at the school on Art Night, Nov. 9, when the work is available for public viewing and copies can be ordered.

The Johnsons visited each class at the school from kindergarten to eighth grade in the past two weeks, as students created collages featuring unique subjects from football players to fire trucks to wolves in the wilderness.

Annette Divito, a parent who worked with the school's cultural committee, which sponsored the program, says she discovered the program when a friend sent her a birthday card featuring a collage made by a student.

She found the exhibit portion of the program particularly appealing, she says.

"It's really special for the kids to be able to show off their work. That's really the heart of the program," Divito says.

Each student receives a free copy of their work, and parents can buy additional note cards, from which a portion of the proceeds is donated to the school.

The couple founded their artist-in-residence program in 1995. Susan Johnson is a former artist-in-residence at the Brush Gallery in Lowell, and founded Susan Johnson Collage distribution company for collages, lithographs and note cards in 1991.

Both Susan and Wil Johnson will be exhibiting some of their work at St. Augustine School Art Night.

—Rebecca Lipchitz



Photos by Rebecca Lipchitz

The cutting edge of collage — Above, Lauren Manfredi pauses in her paper cutting as she assembles her collage. Below, Wil Johnson, center, of North Andover, works with Jack Kieckhafer (left) as Amanda Hashem looks on. Students pictured are members of Mrs. Nancy Pellegrini's first-grade class. Every class at the St. Augustine School had a chance to create collages to display on Art Night Nov. 9.



LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch at Andover public schools the week of Oct. 18-22:

Elementary schools

Monday: Meatball sub, chicken nuggets, pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Beef burritos with mexicali rice, rib barbecue dippers with puffs, pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, chicken nuggets, pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Chicken McSchool, french toast sticks with sausage, pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Friday: Pizza stick with soft pretzel, chicken nuggets, ham and cheese sub with chips, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Middle schools

Monday: Chicken, broccoli and rotini, french toast sticks and sausage, baked nuggets and puffs, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Two beef burritos, stuffed crust pizza, rib barbecue dippers, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, cheeseburger with puffs, baked nuggets and puffs, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast for lunch, two hot dogs on a bun, chicken McSchool, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Friday: Meatball sub, baked nuggets and puffs, stuffed crust pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Secondary schools

Monday: Beef stew over rice, stuffed crust pizza, pasta with sauce, ham or bologna sub, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Roast turkey dinner, stuffed crust pizza, pasta with sauce, ham or bologna sub, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Two tacos with rice, pasta with sauce, ham or bologna sub, stuffed crust pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Chicken, broccoli and ziti, stuffed crust pizza, pasta with sauce, ham or bologna sub, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Friday: Egg McMuffin, stuffed crust pizza, pasta with sauce, ham or bologna sub, vegetable, fruit, milk.

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SCHOOLTALK

The Andover High School Parent Advisory Council will meet Monday, Oct. 18, at 7 p.m. in the high school media center. Dr. Claudia Bach, superintendent, will be the guest speaker.

Doherty Middle School's Parent Advisory Council (PAC) will meet tonight, Thursday, Oct. 14, at 7:30 in the McGrail Media Center.

Principal Floyd McManus will lead a question-and-answer session on Doherty, addressing issues of curriculum, discipline, honor rolls, extracurricular

activities, etc. All parents are welcome to come and participate.

For more information, call Carol Baffi-Dugan at 470-3542.

The Andover Physical Education Department, in cooperation with the high school cross-country team, will sponsor a one-mile, cross-country run for the promotion of cardiovascular fitness, the enjoyment of running and the development of sportsmanship for fourth- and fifth-grade students from the Andover public elementary schools.

There will be separate boys

and girls division in each grade. The run is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 19, at 4 p.m. in Eugene V. Lovely Field. A rain date is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 21. The estimated time of completion is 5:15 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

Tell It Again!, a program of stories and music for young children and their families, will be held Saturday, Oct. 23, at 2 p.m. in the Children's Room at Memorial Hall Library.

Amelia Struthers, a professional storyteller with a B.S. in early childhood education, will lead a participatory storytime that will tickle everyone's funnybone, organizers said.

Free tickets are limited and became available in the Children's Room last Thursday, Oct. 7.

West Elementary School held a dedication ceremony Friday, Oct. 8 for the Christina Capozzi Corner of the West Elementary media center.

Christina Capozzi, a student at West, died two years ago. Her parents wanted to have an ongoing memorial for her, and felt that the media center was an appropriate place because Christina had a passion for reading. In the Capozzi section of the



Photo by Carol Van Doren

Lynn Capozzi, the mother of the late Christina Capozzi, cuts the ribbon opening the cozy reading corner of the West Elementary media center named for Christina. Seated behind Lynn Capozzi is assistant principal Liz Roos.

school's media center are two plush couches, a rug, bookshelf bench, and two limited edition prints from famous illustrators of children's books. In addition there are more than 50 books that Lynn Capozzi, Christina's mom, selected for the media center.

At the dedication ceremony several teachers, administrators and Christina's mother spoke about their recollections of Christina. Four students wrote and read book reviews of some of the books in the Capozzi collection.

The dedication was aired live on WEST-TV, which

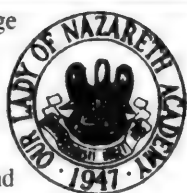
enabled the entire West school population of 1,000 adults and students to watch the dedication ceremony from their classrooms. All the students who knew Christina but were not able to fit into the library had the opportunity to "take part" in the ceremony, organizers said.

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SCHOOL TALK

Parent to Parent's first talk in its annual speaker series will address these questions and more. "Media Madness: How media and technology affects our children?" will be offered Wednesday, Oct. 27, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the West Middle School Auditorium.

Renee Hobbs, a leading authority on media education and director of the Media Literacy Project at Babson College, will present specific prac-

tical, fun and interactive strategies parents can use with their children to build critical thinking skills about the media.

The presentation is free and open to the public.

Andover High School has two new AFS intercultural exchange students for the school year. Thaigo Santos of



Renee Hobbs

Brazil will live with Tom and Joyce Goldthwaite and their daughter, Kaytie, while Valery Zakharov of Russia will stay with Helene and Alan Michel and their daughter, Alicia.

Call Ginny Cohen at 475-7153 to learn more about hosting or traveling abroad with the AFS program.

The Andover High School Marching Band invites the community to the New England Scholastic Band Association (NESBA) competition Sunday, Oct. 17, at 1 p.m. at Eugene V. Lovely Field, Andover High School, Shawshen Road. Bands from Salem, N.H.; Westbrook, Maine; Salem, Stoughton, Melrose and East Bridgewater will compete for gold, silver and bronze medals. Awards will be given for best color guard, best percussion, best marching pre-

From left are: AFS host sister Katie Goldthwaite, Thaigo Santos, Valery Zakharov and host sister Alicia Michel.



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cision and best overall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors and students and are available at the gate. Handicap parking will be available at the field off Moraine Street.

Bands are placed in divisions based on the size of the band. Each band performs within a seven to 11-minute time span. Five categories, worth 20 points, include Visual Performance, Music Performance, Music Ensemble, Gen-

eral Effect-Visual, and General Effect-Musical.

Adding together all five categories determines the final score. A score of 55-69.90 earns a bronze medal; a score of 70-84.90 earns silver; and a score of 85 and above earns gold.

Each band in a division could earn a gold medal, depending on the score.

The Andover High School Marching Band recently com-

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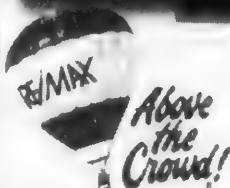
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News

Sox fans looking forward to a wild week



Betty Keefe likes Pedro Martinez because he visited Lawrence. Peg Massaro says Nomar is an inspiration.

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they stayed up to watch the game," says avid fan Debbie Ryan, intake coordinator at the Andover Senior Center.

Ryan managed to buy two tickets to last Saturday's game, the first of the three wins that brought the Red Sox back from the brink of elimination.

"I've never had so much fun in my life," Ryan says, despite the fact that she paid \$50, twice the face value, for her bleacher seat. She has grandstand-seat tickets to this Saturday's playoff game against the Yankees.

Andover's Larry Cancro may have better seats. He is vice president of sales and marketing for the Boston Red Sox, and for this series, will be traveling with the team.

"It's really exhausting — a lot of 20 hour days — but worth every second of it," he says.

At least this year, the Sox have made his job easy.

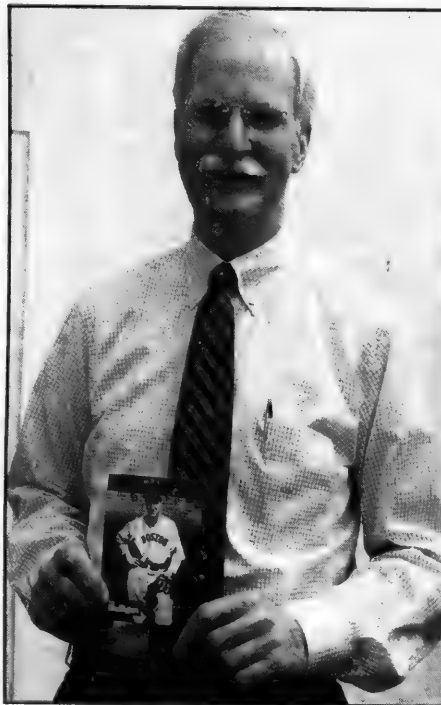
"If this ballpark could seat 200,000 people, we could sell all the tickets. There were hundreds of people in line (Tuesday), but we sold everything two weeks ago," he says.

Tickets for the American League Championship series sold out Oct. 2, the day they went on sale. The Red Sox will play the New York Yankees at Fenway Park for games three and four of the series, Saturday and Sunday, and if necessary, Monday. Games one and two on Wednesday and Thursday, and games six and seven are scheduled for Yankee Stadium.

"I think it's going to be a semi-holiday around here if it comes to that," says Andover Bank President Gerry Mulligan.

Mulligan says banker's hours don't usually interfere with the broadcast of Red Sox games, but he keeps a radio by his desk just in case.

Mulligan has been a fan since birth, as the son of former Red Sox



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Mulligan — Son of a Red Sox pitcher, he's a life-long fan.

ballplayers and coaches including Mayo Smith, manager of the Detroit Tigers, whom Gerry remembers visiting their home.

Joe Mulligan grew up in Weymouth and played baseball for St. John's Prep and Holy Cross before playing for the Red Sox. The late pitcher raised Gerry and his siblings in West Roxbury, and was known as the Red Sox last homegrown pitcher until they acquired Bill Monbouquette of Medford in 1958, Mulligan says.

Another life-long fan, Peg Massaro, talked about Monday's game before the AARP meeting the Senior Center



Jayne Gorrie, of Andover Bank — She didn't watch. "I went to bed," she says.

Tuesday afternoon.

"It was just wonderful," she says of the victory in game five. Massaro says she would have watched regardless of the post-season drama surrounding the game. She credits Boston manager Jimmy Williams for the successful season.

"I think the manager had a lot to do with it, because of the way he treats his players," she says. While Pedro Martinez' pitching is undeniably exceptional, Massaro says that Nomar Garciaparra's presence makes a difference.

"He plays almost every day. I think he's an inspiration to other players," she says. Monday's game was fun she says, because it included everything a baseball game should. "I'm glad it wasn't just a pitchers duel. That can be boring," she says. Her favorite part of the game Monday was Troy O'Leary's two home runs, one a grand slam, both after Cleveland walked Garciaparra.

"This team is like the Celtics were. Before, (the Red Sox) had one star, but now they work well as a team," she says.



Jennifer Peck — "My life is not going to dramatically change, but it will give me something to do."



Debbie Ryan — tickets last Saturday, tickets this Saturday.



Lorraine Enos and Jason McColley — She knew O'Leary would homer. He says "Go Pats."

Sox ...

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Massaro, a long-time Andover resident, grew up listening to the Red Sox on the radio since her mother, who had lost her eyesight, was an avid fan.

She also remembers following Boston Braves games with Warren Spahn and Johnny Sain. Today she often travels to Florida, and will catch the Florida Marlins or the Indians in the off-season. She also enjoys Lowell Spinners games at LeLachur Park.

Lorraine Enos, sales and service representative for Andover Bank, says she wouldn't have missed Monday's game, and doesn't plan to miss any future games this year.

"Of course were going to have to watch, especially this weekend. Everything is going to stop," she says.

Enos says that in both instances where Nomar was intentionally walked, she knew O'Leary was going to come through.

"But I wouldn't say it out loud. I only said it to myself," she says.

Of speculation and superstition

Given the delicate balance of energy in the universe that causes the Red Sox to pull ahead or blow a lead at any given moment, many fans have rituals to favor their team.

Massaro says she hopes this is the year the Red Sox could go all the way, but won't speculate.

"There seems to be more spirit and more life in these players (than in past Red Sox teams)," she says.

Mulligan agrees that it was heart that brought the Sox past the Indians, but says the upcoming series may not be a breeze for the Sox, since the Yankees are a bit more rested and have suffered fewer injuries than Boston.

"The Yankees played steadily all season. It will be an interesting match-up between the even-handed professionals and the more emotional underdogs," he says.

Cancro says that to work in baseball is synonymous with being superstitious. Some of his rituals are day-to-day, some are long-term, but Cancro says he will never speculate.

"I have little superstitions I develop sometimes, like wearing certain clothes, driving to the park a certain way, or listening to a certain radio station," he says.

But no matter the outcome, this fall's play-off season is historic for New England, Cancro says.

"Obviously, this is the greatest rivalry in all of sports," says Cancro of the upcoming pennant race between the Yankees and the Sox.

If Boston were to advance to the World Series, they would face the National League pennant winner, either the Atlanta Braves, a team that originated in Boston, or New York Mets to whom the Red Sox lost the World Series in 1986.

"If it ever works out perfectly, this could be one of the greatest months ever in New England. Nationally the attention would be remarkable," he says.

There is no shortage of enthusiasm in Andover, Cancro says.

He heard people talking about the Red Sox in Andover all day, all over town, but it doesn't just happen when they're winning, he says.

Still, winning seems to help. Andover's Gus Lohrey describes himself as a fair-weather fan, but was decked out Tuesday in a Red Sox shirt, red socks, and a Red Sox hat embellished with a gold ribbon.

"I couldn't sleep until 2 a.m. last night (after the Red Sox won the division championship.) Now were gonna get all riled up. This could be something," he says of the upcoming series.

Cancro says the last notable display of celebration was after the 1986 victory in the pennant race, in which neighbors decorated the trees in his yard with red socks.

"Andover is a great baseball town. That's why I love it," he says. The first game of the American League Championship Series was scheduled for Wednesday night at 8 p.m. after *Townsmen* press time.

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Police ask for neighbors' help solving house breaks

By Neil Fater

A string of house breaks during the past few months has police looking not only for the culprits, but for a little help from residents.

"We've been getting killed with house breaks," says Detective Sergeant Don Pattullo. "Anyone who sees someone who either looks suspicious or is walking in someone's backyard (should) give us a call."

Four separate Andover residents suffered house breaks Oct. 6, and the Faith Lutheran Church was hit the next day.

Since June 1, Andover has seen 26 house breaks and 15 breaks into businesses. Although several West Andover breaks were solved in July, many of these summertime breaks remain unsolved.

Police are particularly concerned now with a rash of breaks in the downtown and Shawsheen areas.

They believe the person entering downtown homes may be entering the area posing as a "jogger, student or just some guy out for a walk. It could be a guy on a bicycle," says Pattullo.

Mostly jewelry and other small, expensive items have been taken during these daylight thefts.

"It appears as though whoever's breaking in is only taking something that they can either put in their pockets, or a fanny pack, or a knapsack," says Pattullo. "It makes us believe either they're grabbing a bag from the house they rob or bringing a knapsack or backpack with them."

Police also speculate that the person is traveling on foot. They found a jewelry container from a Chestnut Street robbery near a stone wall in the side yard of a Cabot Road house that was also entered.

"If a guy was in a car (the container) probably would have been left in the car or thrown on to the side of the road somewhere," says Pattullo.

"We're just hoping someone will call us. We're only as good as the information we're getting," he says.

Police say a timely tip could make the difference.

"Maybe we'll have 32,000 pairs of eyes instead of just the five guys we have in here," says Pattullo, of his detective's division. "If anybody can keep their eyes out while they're out for walk, (it will help). If somebody comes to their door with a strange question, they shouldn't hesitate to call."

Youth ...

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interdepartmental meeting and it's thought to have some potential," says Fahey. "At the same time, there's a group that (Selectman) Larry (Larsen) is supporting that wants to build a youth center on town land.

"We want to have the best center across the board for kids interested in everything from music to arts. Not just sports," says Fahey. "I'm excited about the opportunity, but I want to make sure the road we followed in '95 isn't the road we follow again."

In 1995, a Town Meeting vote to build a youth center with the private Shawsheen Extended Day program failed to garner the necessary two-thirds majority by 68 votes.

Proposal

Major and Arnold say this current proposal has something for, and demands something from, all three parties.

Merrimack will provide the land, Sport Court will provide the facilities, and the town would then have to decide if it will lease building and land for a youth center.

Merrimack needs the facility for its varsity sports teams to use for practice, because its existing fields are being torn up by the constant wear of cleats. Sports Court wants to have a working showroom, and a place it can rent for profit.

"It's an expensive undertaking," says Arnold. "It's not going to be the Superdome, but it's going to be a pretty neat place, if we can get it up."

Arnold says college athletes and youth groups would use the fields at different times.

"The Merrimack varsity athletes would use it during the morning and afternoons, and the town would have it at nights and on the weekends," says Arnold.

He says the fields would still be available for town sports leagues, whose leaders fre-

quently complain about a lack of space in town, regardless of whether the town wants a youth center.

"Andover soccer alone could conceivably book the place solid if they chose to," says Arnold.

During the winter, the field would be covered by an inflatable dome like the ones the National Football League's Patriots, Jets and Steelers use to cover their practice facilities, he says.

As for the building, if Andover gets involved, Major and Arnold say an approximately 40,000 square foot building would be constructed, with about 75 percent of the building designated for a youth center. The rest of the building would be administration and storage space for Sport Court or Merrimack.

Major suggests having a warrant article and schematic plans ready for the April 2000 Town Meeting.

He says a complete design for the facility could take some time, because the site is dotted with wetlands, but he would hope to see a sport court by next fall, and a building by 2001.

He likes the idea of leasing the facility for some time (Arnold mentions 20 years), rather than taking a large one-year hit to build a center. "In that light, it's very similar to the senior-center concept," says Major.

But Major's proposal will receive resistance from some selectmen for the same reasons the senior center lease passed by only a 3-2 vote.

But Arnold says, "To me, it makes great sense. What are you waiting for? If we continue to hem and haw over providing alternative recreation, then inevitably there are going to be headaches (with kids getting into trouble)."

"What are we going to do? Wait five years to develop a parcel in West Andover? What happens to the middle-school and high-school kids now?"

Major, who is running for reelection this year, plans to present a rough version of the project to selectmen Monday, Oct. 18.

Informed of this by the *Townsmen*, Larry Larsen criticized Town Manager Buzz Staczynski for not keeping him informed of that proposal, and remained in support of building a center on town-owned land.

"We have a group of people who feel they can raise the money to build a youth center on town-owned land, if they can expand it later to a community center," says Larsen. "I think I'll go put my proposal on the agenda, because I want to see it discussed in full."

"The issue of a youth center has nothing to do with a sport facility. Being near a sport facility would be helpful," he says.

Larsen, who is not running for reelection, also says pointedly "I hate to see the youth center politicized."

Major says he's not worried about the Andover youth center also being part of a sports-court business.

"I'm not necessarily concerned about that, because I think our departments would set up the right constraints," he says. "I'm not concerned, there would be a negativity associated with it. In fact, I get excited by a public-private partnership to help solve a community need."

Fahey says he hopes those issues can be clarified in coming months.

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, Oct. 6 - At 1:22 p.m., Eneida Rivera, 22, of 31E Dalton St., Lawrence, was arrested on Main Street and charged on a straight warrant for fines due.

At 7:42 p.m., Leonard Perry, 37, of Liberty Tree Campground, Greenland, N.H., was arrested in Shawsheen Plaza and charged with possession of a rifle without a firearms identification card, and possession of ammunition without an FID card, after a sergeant saw a vehicle pulling behind the buildings.

Friday, Oct. 8 - At 2:26 p.m., Freddy Frias, 34, of 16 Holton St., Lawrence, was arrested on North Main Street and charged on a warrant for driving with a suspended license.

At 10:19 p.m., Damian B. Dolan, 19, of 9 Wildwood Road, Andover, was arrested on Chandler Road and charged on a warrant for being a minor in possession of alcohol.

At 10:38 p.m., Merrimack College police arrested Michael C. Pope, 21, of 8 Penniman's Gove, Kingston, N.H., brought him to the Andover station and charged him with trespassing into land, dwelling, house, etc. and illegally possessing a Class D substance.

Saturday, Oct. 9 - At 2:51 p.m., Roberto DeLeon, 26, of 37 Barrett St., Lynn, was arrested on South Main Street and charged with driving after plates had been revoked, attaching plates to a motor vehicle, giving a false name or address to police, and driving an uninsured vehicle without a license.

Monday, Oct. 11 - At 11:09 a.m., Janis Bonaccorso, 39, of 13 Emerson Ave., Hampstead, N.H., was arrested on Union Street and charged with driving without a license, giving a false name or address to police, and a red-light and a seat-belt violation.

Tuesday, Oct. 12 - At 9:39 a.m., John L. Vaccari, 33, of 20 Melbourne St., Reading, was arrested on Andover Street and charged with driving with a revoked license, and with a bylaw violation for truck exclusion.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Oct. 6 - At 5:31 p.m., a Pendant Court resident reported that about 10 minutes ago her daughter had called her saying a woman was at her door,

knocking on it and kicking it "and cursing and swearing in Spanish." An officer reported the woman was gone and it "seems like the person had the wrong house."

At 9:59 p.m., a Deerberry Lane man reported "a prowler in his yard hiding behind a tree." After originally reporting a person with a white shirt on, an officer reported that it was actually a large deer with white on it.

Thursday, Oct. 7 - At 5:10 p.m., a Bulfinch Drive woman reported returning from a store and finding that \$100 was missing from her bureau. Her apartment had been locked, was still locked, and there was no sign of forced entry. An officer reported no theft. The woman found the money in a pocket.

Friday, Oct. 8 - At 1:33 p.m., a detective reported a juvenile offense at the Andover High School.

At 2:45 p.m., a Department of Social Services employee advised police that she was at the principal's office of one of the

elementary schools to take custody of a child, when the child's mother arrived. The employee was concerned about what might happen, and officers reported that one child was in DSS custody, and the employee was on the way to get another child.

At 4:11 p.m., a woman reported her son had been hit in the face by "an older, chubby, balding man" on Main Street. The officer responded to talk to the woman and her son, but when he arrived at their home, he found the caller had left to confront the man.

At 9:50 p.m., a Bulfinch Drive resident reported that somebody, "possibly her ex-boyfriend," keeps taking her car, a Toyota Camry. The caller said she noticed the problem the other day when she filled up the gas tank and later returned to the car to find the tank almost empty. The caller said the car was missing at the time of her call, but when an officer arrived, the car was back in her parking lot.

Saturday, Oct. 9 - At 7:20 a.m., a Jenk-

ins Road man reported that someone had entered his barn and slashed his horses. An officer requested that pictures be taken by Andover detectives.

Sunday, Oct. 10 - At 6:27 p.m., a female and two males came into the station to report the female had been assaulted by a coworker at Vicor on Thursday, but had not reported it earlier because she was at Lowell General Hospital.

Monday, Oct. 11 - At 1:46 a.m., a Memorial Circle caller reported a 3-year-old male missing from her home. He had last been seen sleeping on the coach around midnight. She called back to report finding the boy under her bed. An officer found the father out looking for the boy, and informed him the boy had been in the house all along.

At 12:44 p.m., a Marland Place man was found on North Main Street after reports of a male seeming confusing and walking in and out of traffic.

At 3:39 p.m., an Andover man requested

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police respond to his home to remove a female who was refusing to leave his apartment.

At 6:32 p.m., a Spring Valley Road caller reported a possible fire in the apartment above him. After a full response, the fire department reported, "No fire; microwave problem."

Tuesday, Oct. 12 - At 2:54 p.m., a detective was to file on a juvenile offense.

At 3:48 p.m., after a Main Street business employee reported two shoplifters, an officer was to issue a summons for a 15-year-old Andover girl.

At 9:33 p.m., a 50-year-old female employee at 10 Lowell St. reported being assaulted by a 37-year-old male patient. She had directed the man to wash some dishes, and he was upset with having to do chores. She told police that after she became distracted, the man attacked her, hitting her on the right side of her head and neck about 10 to 15 times, say police. Another employee responded when he heard the noise and witnessed the attack.

But when the 37-year-old saw the other employee, he ran out of the house. A complaint will be filed through Lawrence District Court against John Bartlett, 37, for assault and battery, say police reports.

BREAKS

Wednesday, Oct. 6 - At 1:25 p.m., a Chestnut Street resident came home to find her door open. She believed someone had broken in, and a detective was notified.

At 4:40 p.m., a Cardinal Lane caller reported returning home from work and finding that someone had broken into his home.

At 5:19 p.m., a Cabot Road caller reported that she had just returned home from a soccer game to find someone had broken into her home.

At 11:20 p.m., a Zambom Terrace man reported returning home from church to find someone had broken into his house.

THEFTS

Thursday, Oct. 7 - At 5:35 p.m., a woman on Stevens Street reported her pocketbook and wallet missing.

Friday, Oct. 8 - At 11:12 a.m., a YMCA employee reported someone broke into a

locker during the last hour.

At 5:34 p.m., an officer was to file on the theft of a clarinet from Doherty Middle School.

At 8:44 p.m., an officer was to file on a credit card theft at the YMCA.

At 8:45 p.m., an Andover Street resident reported someone had stolen a wheelbarrow from her yard during the previous evening.

Saturday, Oct. 9 - At 4:30 p.m., a Marshalls employee reported that someone had taken his bike from a bike rack.

At 4:59 p.m., a detective was to file on a theft from Stevens Street.

Monday, Oct. 11 - At 2:48 p.m., an officer was to file on the theft of a coat and glasses from a Main Street restaurant back on Sept. 19.

Tuesday, Oct. 12 - At 10:48 a.m., there was a cellular phone theft reported at Bulfinch Drive.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Thursday, Oct. 7 - At 7:23 a.m., a Bulfinch Drive man reported someone had broken a window in his van and taken items.

At 11:35 p.m., a 1995 Plymouth Neon was reported stolen from Wingate Nurs-

ing Home on Andover Street.

Friday, Oct. 8 - At 5:43 p.m., Lawrence police reported recovering a vehicle stolen out of Andover.

At 8:41 p.m., Chelsea police reported recovering a vehicle with damage that had been stolen out of Andover.

ACCIDENTS

Wednesday, Oct. 6 - At 7:25 p.m., a woman reported a hit-and-run on her white pickup truck on North Main Street.

Thursday, Oct. 7 - At 8:56 a.m., after several callers reported an accident on Dascomb Road, Andover police and fire assisted state police with the accident.

Friday, Oct. 8 - At 7:08 a.m., an officer reported a back or neck injury at an accident on Lowell Street.

At 10:22 a.m., a Dascomb Road caller reported an accident with injuries. Fire department reported a patient refusal.

Saturday, Oct. 9 - At 9:46 a.m., after a caller reported an accident without injury on Elm Street, an officer requested an ambulance for a male with chest pains.

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Arts & Entertainment

Andover weekend

Drachman tops classic afternoon

The Andover Senior Center and Jewish Family Service of the Merrimack Valley will present "An Afternoon with Evan Drachman" at the Collins Center Sunday, Oct. 17, at 2 p.m.

Drachman, founder of the Piatigorsky Foundation and grandson of world-renowned cellist Gregor Piatigorsky will appear with classical pianist Richard Dowling.

A prelude in dance - traditional folk dancing by Vladimir Foygelman - will also be part of the program. A post-concert reception with the performers will be open to all ticket holders.

Tickets at \$5 are on sale at the Senior Center and Jewish Family Service. Call JFS at 683-6711 or the Senior Center at 623-8321.



Centered individual - Drachman will spend Sunday at the Collins Center.

Organ, out west

Dr. Paulette Grundeen, director of music at Christ Church, will present a concert on the West Parish Church organ at West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, Sunday, Oct. 17, at 3 p.m.

This event is wheelchair accessible.

Grundeen performs on the organ, harpsichord, forte piano, and pedal harpsichord. She has a doctorate and master's degree from Indiana University and a bachelor of music from McGill University. Grundeen has been in recital across the U.S. and Canada. Her concert will include works by Joseph Ahrens, J.S. Bach, Gerald Bales, Gorge Boehm, Brahms, and Mendelssohn.

For more information, call Troy Nielsen at 474-9321.

Get 'Wild' at workshop

Professional artist and author Lynn Loscutoff will be at Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St., at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, to sign copies of her new book, *Painter's Wild Workshop*, and give a one-hour program, with slides, titled "Exploring Creativity."

The 35-year Andover resident has been camp director and co-founder of Camp Evergreen and an art administrator. The author of three books on painting encourages audience participation.

Call (800) 491-0143 for information.

Town has new chance to 'Cry Witch!'

Cry Witch! 1692 is back again for a requested second run this year, with a couple of new twists.

The play, based on Andover's role during the Salem Witch Trials, will be presented on three days beginning Oct. 15.

Last year, the shows sold out in advance.

The cast, crew and volunteers for this year's show include more than 100 members from Merrimack Valley communities performing a wide range of roles.

Linda Zimmerman of Andover is this year's director and has created a new, one-and-a-half-hour play. The audience will become a part of the production by singing hymns, acting as jury and portraying those who were accused of witchcraft, tortured and condemned to die.

In 1692, historical Andover (now divided into Andover, Lawrence and North Andover) was embroiled in a tumultuous witch-hunt that turned family members, neighbors and clergy against each other and divided the community.

More than 55 men, women and children, between the ages of 7 and 70 years old, were accused of witchcraft in Andover, more than in any other town including Salem.

Cry Witch! 1692 was written by Andover historian Juliet Mofford, using actual court testimony from the trials.

She has said she created the play to tell the story of how intolerance nearly destroyed Andover and the lives of its citizens. She also says that



Photo by Cindy Efinger

Reason to cry - Sarah Wardwell, played by Susan Lenoe of Andover, is accused by actors Roopa Chari, Jaynie Trageser, Marshall Darling, Andy Rayner and Raphael Luckom. This will be the second annual showing of *Cry Witch!* which sold out all its shows last year.

about one in every dozen Andover residents were accused of witchcraft.

After the trials, many in town stopped talking about the incident to the point where some current residents don't even know they're distant relatives of those involved in the witch trials.

Cry Witch! 1692 will be held at the North Andover Middle School, 495 Main St., corner of Main and Route 125.

Performances are Friday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 16, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 17, at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$4 and are available at the Andover Bookstore, 89 Main St. (rear); Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St.; and North Andover Historical Society, 153 Academy Road, North Andover.

The Andover Historical Society and the North Andover Historical Society are cosponsors of this event with funding from the Stevens Foundation and the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

For more information, call the Andover Historical Society at 475-2236.

Youth friends paint town Rhythm and Blues



Take (in) your Pulse - Pulse includes leader and keyboardist Paul Hogu, drummer Ritchie Furr, bassist Pedro Rivera, lead vocalist Sandi Bedrosian, and guitarist John Hogu.

Tomorrow, Old Town Hall will turn into a night club.

For one evening, Friday, Oct. 15, from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., Old Town Hall will move to the sounds of The Friends of Andover Youth's second annual cabaret night, entitled Main Street Rhythm & Blues. Pulse, a jazz and dance band featuring Andover vocalist Sandi Bedrosian will perform, with a different beat provided by Joyruma, a local rock band featuring Andover youth.

The show is sponsored by Friends of Andover Youth to benefit Andover Youth Services and its programs.

Tickets for the show are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and include a complimentary coffee and dessert. There will be a cash bar.

Tickets can be purchased from the Department of Community Services office, Diane Hender at 470-0869 or Lisa Eustis at 475-0726. Tickets are also available at the door.

Taste the high(lands) life Peruvian weaver at Peabody

The Northeast Chapter of the Massachusetts Archaeology Society and the Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology at Phillips Academy will co-sponsor a meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the museum on the corner of Phillips and Main streets, Andover.

The program, "Weaving and Textiles of the Andean Highlands" is free and open to the public. The speaker, traditional weaver Nilda Callanaupa, is from Chinchero, Peru.

Discovered by visiting anthropologists, Callanaupa been invited to the United States and Phillips Academy to demonstrate her talents.

The Massachusetts Archaeology Society's northeast chapter, meets the third Tuesday of the month, September through June.

Membership to the Northeast Chapter is open to anyone interested in furthering their study of archaeology and Native American cultural history. Call the museum at (978)749-4490, for more information on chapter membership or monthly programs.

The Peabody Museum will be closed to the public Saturday, Oct. 16, for a private function.

Don't bag this film opportunity

Are you nosy? Would you like to know what women carry in their handbags? Well, you'll get your chance this coming week.

On Tuesday, Oct. 19, at 2 p.m., the Andover Historical Society will present a special program titled *In the Bag: A Humorous Look Inside Women's Purses*.

The documentary film was made in Hollywood using movie stars and ordinary people, randomly interviewed, showing the contents of their handbags. While inkblots and other classic psychiatric techniques have tried to probe the inner workings of the female mind, nothing comes up ringing as true as turning a woman's handbag upside down.

In The Bag pokes and probes into

every kind of pocketbook and features every kind of woman from celebrity interviews with Sandra Bernhard, Phyllis Diller, and Carol Kane to women from all walks of life.

When digging in their bags, women expose their lives and sometimes startling revelations.

Andover-born Lindsey Mofford, daughter of Tom and Juliet Mofford, was the editor for this film and is currently editing other projects in Los Angeles.

The program will begin at 2 p.m., and refreshments will be served at 3. Admission is \$2 for members and \$5 for non-members. The Andover Historical Society is located at 97 Main St.

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Coe: Speaking to writers

Journalist and poet Charles Coe will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Writers' Networking Group, tonight, Thursday, Oct. 14, at Memorial Hall Library, located on the corner of Essex and Main streets, Andover.

A reception will be held at 6:45 p.m. and the lecture will begin at 7:30.

Writers are invited to bring copies of their work for display.

Coe, a winner of an Artists Fellowship in Poetry from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, has appeared in numerous magazines and newspapers.

Picnic on the Moon, a volume of his poetry, was published in April by Leapfrog Press of Wellfleet, Mass. Coe also writes book reviews and has a novel in progress set in Indianapolis, where he was born and raised.

Coe is featured on two spoken

word CDs: *Get Ready for Boston*, a collection of stories and songs about Boston neighborhoods, and *One Side of the River*, an anthology of Cambridge and Somerville poets including Robert Pinsky, Frank Bidart, Liam Rector and Gail Mazur.

A long-time member of the National Writers Union, Coe served on the union's Boston Local Steering committee for the last three years. He was also one of the organizers and original co-chair of the NWU's National Diversity Committee and served two terms on the National Executive Board.

The Writers' Networking Group was organized by National Writers Union-Boston Local member Henry Everett and NWU Networking Coordinator Barbara Beckwith.

For further information, call (617) 266-7729.

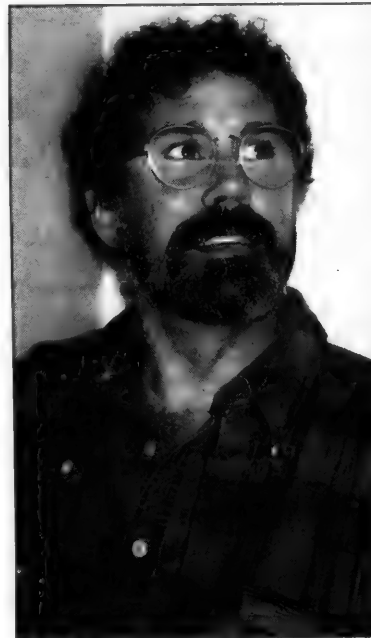
Justin time: Sculpting demo at MHL

Justin Gordon, a professional sculptor in seven mediums, will demonstrate carving and present a slide show on carving techniques Wednesday, Oct. 20, at 9:30 a.m. at Memorial Hall Library.

Gordon has been sculpting for more than 23 years, and professionally for eight years.

His sand sculptures have been in malls, fairs and trade shows across the country and Canada and range in size from 1/2-ton pieces at the beach to more than 100 tons in malls and fairs.

Gordon also carves in wax for the jewelry industry, clay for the ceramics industry, foam for Storyland in New Hampshire and other amusement parks and



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stone for pleasure.

His wood work carvings include fine wood carvings of meticulous details and chainsaw carvings finished with hand tools for a life-like finish on cut logs and in-the-ground tree stumps. These carvings have won awards throughout the New England area, according to a release.

Gordon also teaches a carving class where he lives in Groveland.

His sand castles have been featured on Channel 5's *Chronicle* and Channel 2's *Greater Boston* filmed by Chuck Kreamer.

A photo gallery of his work is in Stripers Grille Restaurant in Salisbury, where one of his best carvings was done for the owner.

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TOWN OF ANDOVER LEAF COMPOSTING *NOTICE*

The Town of Andover leaf compost site at Bald Hill on High Plain Road will be open for Andover residents only, on Thursday, October 21, 1999. Residents may drive in to drop off leaves, grass clippings, and shredded yard waste between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from October 21 through December 3 weather permitting, except Thanksgiving Day. Residents must remove their leaves, grass clippings, and shredded yard waste from whatever container they use to deliver them in. All contaminated loads will be rejected. The area is available for walk-ins at all times, however there are substantial fines for **ILLEGAL dumping**.

Directions to Bald Hill: Take Lowell St. (Route 133) to Greenwood Road (the traffic light just east of the IRS). Take Greenwood Rd. (0.8 miles) north to High Plain Rd., then take High Plain Rd., (0.1 miles) west to Bald Hill.

The Town of Andover will be conducting curbside leaf collection during the weeks of Nov. 1 to Nov. 5, Nov. 8 to Nov. 13, Nov. 15 to Nov. 19 and Nov. 29 to Dec. 3. Residents are to put their leaves out on their designated trash collection day. Any appropriate size containers may be used for leaves, but if using plastic bags, the MUST BE CLEAR PLASTIC BAGS.

North Andover happenings

The Andovers Artist Guild will hold its first meeting of the fall season Sunday, Oct. 17, at 2 p.m. at North Parish Church in North Andover's Old Center.

Margaret Laure of Gloucester will explain and paint a completed watercolor.

The recognized professional artist teaches and conducts workshops in her studios and galleries in Maine and Gloucester.

The public is invited. A \$2 donation will be accepted. The building is handicapped accessible.

Fall book sale

The Friends of Stevens Memorial Library will hold their annual fall book sale Saturday, Oct. 16, at the library at 345 Main St., North Andover, from 9 a.m. to noon. Donations of current fiction and nonfiction books and children's books, soft and hardcover, are welcome.

The library does not want text books or periodicals and books should be mildew-free. Audio books and videos are also welcome. Bring dona-

tions to the library.

Great Pumpkin Day

Smolak Farms at the corner of Dale and South Bradford streets in North Andover will celebrate Halloween with special activities on "Great Pumpkin Day," Oct. 17.

In addition to pick-your-own pumpkins, trick-or-treat hayrides will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. with costumed storybook characters passing out goodies to children and a pumpkin-carving contest for amateur carvers ages 8 and up. Children of all ages are invited to wear their costumes. Eric Sinclair will provide music from noon to 3:30 p.m. and the food court will be open for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Trick-or-treat hayrides will continue every weekend day through Oct. 31. Lulu the Clown will be available for face painting on Halloween weekend from 1 to 4 p.m. both days. The farm stand and bakery will feature Halloween gingerbread houses and a variety of seasonal decorative items.

Chopin: PA has loaded chamber

On Sunday, Oct. 17, at 2 p.m., the Phillips Academy music department will present a chamber music recital featuring faculty members violinist Hilary Walther Cumming, cellist Elizabeth Aureden and pianist Duncan Cumming. The concert will take place in Graves Hall on the corner of School and Main streets. Graves Hall is handicap accessible.

The program, free and open to the public,

includes the Chopin Piano Trio in g minor, Op. 8 and the Dvorák Piano Trio in e minor, Op. 90 *Dumky*. Violinist Hilary Walther Cumming is the concertmaster of the Andover Chamber Players and has been heard as soloist with that orchestra, as well as with the Reading and Concord Symphony Orchestras and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Cellist Elizabeth Aureden, a member of the Phillips Academy faculty since 1990, teaches music, conducts the Corelli Ensemble and performs as a recitalist and chamber musician.

Pianist Duncan J. Cumming, a Phi Beta Kappa magna cum laude graduate from Bates College in Maine, studied piano there with Frank Glazer. As concerto soloist and as recitalist, Cumming has performed across the United States.



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EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, Oct. 14

Blood drive, sponsored by Phi Kappa Theta and American Red Cross, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Cascia Hall, Merrimack College, junctions of Routes 125 and 114, North Andover.

Spaghetti supper, sponsored by South School, 5:30-7:30 p.m., tickets in South School lobby, 55 Woburn St.; 623-8830.

Lecture, sponsored by Writers Networking Group, featuring journalist and poet Charles Coe, 6:45 p.m., reception, lecture, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square; (617) 266-7729.

Meeting, Homebased Businesswomen's Network, talk on starting a homebased business, 8:30 a.m., Village Green Restaurant, Route 1, Danvers; Diane (781) 861-6972, Lorraine (978) 546-7969.

Meeting, Gay & Lesbian Community Advocates of Lawrence, 7-8 p.m., Bernstein Bookstore, 468 Essex St., Lawrence; 688-3569.

Meeting, Doherty Middle School's Parent Advisory Council, 7:30 p.m., McGrail Media Center, Doherty Middle School, Bartlet Street; Carol Baffi-Dugan 470-3542.

FRIDAY, Oct. 15

Fall festival, sponsored by St. Gregory Armenian Apostolic Church, Armenian country store, bakery, crafts, white elephant, raffles, lunch beginning at 11 a.m., dinner beginning at 5 p.m., 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Jafarian Hall, 158 Main St., North Andover; 685-5038.

Recital, sponsored by Methuen Memorial Music Hall, to benefit scholarship fund, featuring Heinz Wunderlich with Nelly Soregi-Wunderlich on violin, 8 p.m., \$10, \$5 students, Route 28 (Broadway), Methuen; (978) 363-5377.

Artist talk, sponsored by Andover Bookstore, featuring artist and author Lynn Loscutoff, handicap accessible, 7 p.m., 89R Main St.; Julie Carlson (800) 491-0143.

Sacred drum and dance circle, bring percussion instrument or come to dance, 7:30 p.m., Unitarian Congregation, 6 Locke St.; Susan Foster 470-1134.

Comedy Palace, featuring Dan Wilson, Jim McCue,

Julie Barr, 9 p.m., Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

Rhythm and blues night, sponsored by Friends of Andover Youth, benefit Andover Youth Services, 8 p.m.-midnight, \$15, \$10 students, Old Town Hall, 20 Main St.; Lisa Eustis 470-0726, Diane Hender 470-0869.



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Comedy Escape, featuring Kevin Knox, Mark Schnieder, Jim Fronk, 9:30 p.m., \$10-\$12 cover charge, China Blossom, Routes 125 and 133, North Andover; 1-800-401-2221.

Cry Witch! 1692, sponsored by Andover Historical Society, 7 p.m., \$4, North Andover Middle School, 495 Main St., North Andover; 475-2236.

SATURDAY, Oct. 16

Fall festival, see entry under Friday, Oct. 15.

Book sale, sponsored by Friends of Stevens Memorial Library, 9 a.m.-noon, 345 Main St., North Andover.

Safety Saturday, sponsored by Andona Society, car seat safety inspection, safety-related hands-on activi-

ties for children, demonstrations, raffles and door prizes, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., second floor, Old Town Hall, 20 Main St.; Susan DeLarm-Sandman 470-1842.

Craft fair, sponsored by Sacred Heart Parish, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., pancake breakfast, 9-11 a.m., \$3, \$1.50 children under 12; Broadway, Lawrence; Irene Potvin 686-5712.

Concert, sponsored by Friends of the Reading Public Library, featuring guitarist William Feasley, 8 p.m., 64 Middlesex Ave., Reading; Rusty Palumbo (978) 944-2017.

Workshop, sponsored by Sue Luby's Bodysense Yoga, dance and yoga for those recovering from a serious illness, 2-5 p.m., Lupine Road; RSVP (978) 468-8079.

Get Back!, sponsored by Songstreet and Planetary Groove, featuring the cast of Beatlemania, a tribute to the Beatles, 8 p.m., \$21, \$19, \$1 extra day of show; Somerville Theatre, Davis Square, Somerville; (617) 628-3390.

Comedy Palace, see entry under Friday, Oct. 15.

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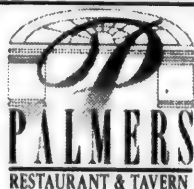
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Comedy Escape, see entry under Friday, Oct. 15.

Cry Witch! 1692, see entry under Friday, Oct. 15.

SUNDAY, Oct. 17

Adult education program, sponsored by Temple Emanuel of Andover, Eleanor Lipman, author of *The Inn at Lake Devine* will be the speaker, 10:30 a.m., Haggetts Pond Road; 470-1356.

Hike, sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, Indian Ridge, 1:30 p.m., AHS auditorium entrance; Susan Kelly 475-1180.

Panel discussion, sponsored by Addison Gallery of American Art, featuring exhibit artists Elizabeth Catlett, Sam Gilliam, John Wilson, William T. Williams, among others, moderated by

Edmund Barry Gaither, director of Museum of the National Center of Afro-American Artists, 1 p.m., Kemper Auditorium, Phillips Academy campus; 749-4015.

Concert, sponsored by Addison Gallery of American Art, featuring jazz musician Stan Strickland and Ascension, 4 p.m., Kemper Auditorium, Phillips Academy campus; 749-4015.

Organ concert, sponsored by West Parish Church, featuring Dr. Paulette Grunden, wheelchair accessible, 3 p.m., 129 Reservation Road; 475-3902.

Meeting, Andovers Artists Guild, 2 p.m., \$2 donation, North Parish Church, Academy Road, North Andover; James Cassidy 688-0633 or Carol Boileau 683-9933.

Cry Witch! 1692, 2 p.m., see Friday, Oct. 15 entry.

Talk, sponsored by the Book Rack, featuring author Pamela Stevens, 1:30 p.m., 52 State St., Newburyport; (978)

462-8615.

Concert, sponsored by the Piatagorsky Foundation, Andover Senior Center and Jewish Family Service of the Merrimack Valley, featuring Evan Drachman and Vladimir Foygelman, 2 p.m., \$5, Collins Center, Shawsheen Road; 683-6711, 623-8321.

Band competition, sponsored by Andover High School Marching Band, featuring bands from Salem, N.H., Westbrook, Maine, Salem, Stoughton, Melrose and East Bridgewater, 1 p.m., \$5, \$3 seniors, students, Eugene V. Lovely Field, Andover High School, Shawsheen Road; Gerry Deyermund 474-9296.

Chamber music recital, sponsored by Phillips Academy music department, 2 p.m., Graves Hall, corner of School and Main streets; 749-4995.

MONDAY, Oct. 18

Guest night, sponsored by North Shore Chorus of Sweet Adelines International, women ages 18 and over, 7:30 p.m., Broadway Lutheran Church, 280 Broadway, Lynn; Becky Christie (978) 745-8340 or Gloria Kozlozky (617) 233-5732.

TUESDAY, Oct. 19

Jazz, sponsored by Casa Vecchia Restaurant, featuring The Ray Santisi Sextet, wheelchair accessible, 7:30-10:30 p.m., \$5 cover charge, Route 97, Salem, N.H.; (603) 893-6553.

Talk, sponsored by Endicott College, featuring Keith Lockhart, conductor of the Boston Pops Orchestra, 8 p.m., Endicott Auditorium, 376 Hale St. (Route 127), Beverly; (978) 232-2012.

One-mile, cross-country run, sponsored by Andover Physical Education Department, for fourth- and fifth-grade students, 4 p.m., Eugene V. Lovely Field, Andover High School, Shawsheen Road; 623-8570.

Documentary film, sponsored by Andover Historical Society, *In the Bag: A Humorous Look Inside Women's Purses*, refreshments, 2 p.m., \$2 members, \$5 non-members, 97 Main St.; 475-2236.

Talk, sponsored by the Northeast Chapter of the

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HALLOWEEN CALENDAR

THURSDAY, Oct. 14

Dracula, by Valley Players; dinner, 7 p.m., show, 8:30; \$22-\$30, show only, \$10-\$12.50, Amesbury Playhouse Dinner Theater, 194 Main St., Amesbury; (978) 388-9444.

FRIDAY, Oct. 15

Dracula, see Thursday, Oct. 14 entry.

Spirits of the Gables, sponsored by House of the Seven Gables, interactive experience brings Nathaniel Hawthorne's novel to life, 7-10 p.m., \$6 adults, \$3.50 children, children under 6, free, 54 Turner St., Salem, Mass; RSVP (978) 744-0991.

Storytelling, sponsored by Peabody Essex Museum, featuring ghostly tales of woe, 6-11 p.m., \$8.50, \$5 children, \$20 family rate, Liberty and Essex streets, Salem; (978) 745-0500 or (800) 745-4054.

SATURDAY, Oct. 16

Dracula, see Thursday, Oct. 14 entry.

Spirits of the Gables, see Friday, Oct. 15 entry.

Storytelling, see Friday, Oct. 15 entry.

SUNDAY, Oct. 17

Dracula, dinner at noon, show at 1 p.m., see entry under Thursday, Oct. 14.

Great Pumpkin Day, sponsored by Smolak Farm, pick-your-own pumpkins, hayrides, pumpkin carving contest for ages 8 and up, music noon-3:30 p.m., food, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Dale and South Bradford streets, North Andover; 688-8058.

THURSDAY, Oct. 21

Dracula, see Thursday, Oct. 14 entry.

FRIDAY, Oct. 22

Halloween party, by AMAZEment Action Playcenter, with splash party, refreshments, for ages 7-12, 5-7:30 p.m., \$11, Cedarland Fun Center, 931 Boston Road, Haverhill; RSVP (978) 521-7700 or (978) 521-0443.

Halloween party, for ages 2-6, 3-4:30 p.m., \$5.99, Cedarland Fun Center, 931 Boston Road, Haverhill; RSVP (978) 521-7700 or (978) 521-0443.

Dracula, see Thursday, Oct. 14 entry.

Spirits of the Gables, see Friday, Oct. 15 entry.

Storytelling, see Friday, Oct. 15 entry.

SATURDAY, Oct. 23

Haunting, by Theater in the Open, its annual fundraiser, stroll along marked trails for a Halloween trick or treat, 2-4 p.m., \$3, Maudslay State Park, 1 Curzon Mill Road, Newburyport; (978) 486-2572.

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Massachusetts Archaeology Society, featuring Nilda Callanaupa, a traditional weaver from Chinchero, Peru, "Weaving and Textiles of the Andean Highlands," 7:30 p.m., R.S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, Phillips Academy, Main Street; 749-4490.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 20

Carving demonstration and slide show, sponsored by Friends of Memorial Hall Library, featuring sculptor Justin Gordon, 9:30 a.m., Elm Square; 623-8401.

Meeting, Merrimack Valley Camera Club, print competition, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; 664-3140, 687-9103, 686-2656.

Meeting, Learning in Retirement Association, for retirees and semiretired, featuring music appreciation program, 10 a.m.-noon, Fox Hall, Room 501, University of Massachusetts Lowell North Campus; (978) 934-3135.

Breast Health for Women luncheon, sponsored by Andover Senior Center and Holy Family Hospital, noon-2:30 p.m., \$5, Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court; RSVP 623-8321.

THURSDAY, Oct. 21

Blood drive, sponsored by Pike School, 1-7 p.m., gymnasium, Sunset Rock Road; 475-1197 (8 a.m.-6 p.m.).

Meeting, Easter Seals Merrimack Valley Area Stroke Support Group, 1:30 p.m., Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court; Paul Chedekel 475-3298.

Open house, sponsored by T.O.P. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 6 p.m., \$1, Haverhill Alliance Church, Route 110, Haverhill; Shirley (978) 373-1825, Charlene (978) 346-4018 or Carol (603) 382-6146.

FRIDAY, Oct. 22

Comedy Palace, featuring Tom Cotter, Kerry Louise, Pete Costello, *see entry under Friday, Oct. 15*.

Comedy Escape, featuring Dick Doherty, Brett Dugan, Dan Savage, *see entry under Friday, Oct. 15*.

Harvest bazaar, sponsored by Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 6-9 p.m., 235 Park St., North Reading; (978) 664-2951.

Storytelling, sponsored by Andover Bookstore, scary and funny stories for ages 6 and up, refreshments, 7 p.m., 89 Main St.; 475-0143.

SATURDAY, Oct. 23

Stamp show, sponsored by Samuel Osgood Stamp Club, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Elks Lodge, 652 Andover St., Lawrence.

Kid's Night Out, sponsored by Lady Riverhawks, for boys and girls ages 4-12, featuring basketball, floor hockey, volleyball, swimming, kick and dodge ball, relays, videos, music, 6-10 p.m., \$8, brothers/sisters, \$5, UMass Lowell Costello Gym, Lowell; (978) 934-2326.

Rummage sale, sponsored by Shore Country Day School, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 545 Cabot St., Beverly; Trish Livingston Aldrich (978) 927-1700.

Pop's concert, sponsored by St. John's Preparatory School, featuring the Marimba Quartet, 7:30 p.m., \$15, \$50 table of four, Spring and Summer streets,

Danvers; music office (978) 774-1050, Ext. 376.

Comedy Escape, featuring Dick Doherty, Brett Dugan, Dan Savage, *see entry under Friday, Oct. 15*.

Harvest bazaar, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., *see Friday, Oct. 22 entry*.

Fun fair, sponsored by Mother Connection, featuring entertainer Kevin Devine at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., \$5, children's art show, face painting, bake sale, raffle, silent auction, Old Town Hall, 20 Main St.; Sheila Graham 794-3155.

Robert Frost festival, sponsored by the Robert Frost Foundation, 10:15 a.m. guided tour of Frost's Lawrence, 11 a.m., welcome table, noon, poetry reading, 1 p.m., talk on Frost's life, 2:30 p.m., poetry reading, 3:30 p.m., poetry prize awarded, 4:15 p.m., reception, Clubhouse, Greater Lawrence Riverfront State Park, Lawrence; (978) 725-8828.

Tell It Again!, a program of stories and music for young children and families, 2 p.m., Children's Room, Memorial Hall Library, limited free tickets from Children's Room; 623-8400.



Storytelling - Amelia Struthers, professional storyteller will tell it again, at the library.

M.A.R.I.A.B. Andover book fair, sponsored by Massachusetts and Rhode Island Antiquarian Booksellers, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., \$4, \$3 with ad for fair, \$1 of each admission benefits Lawrence Public Library, Ramada Rolling Green Inn, 311 Lowell St.; Oliver and Gannon Associates Inc. (518) 861-5062.

SUNDAY, Oct. 24

Conservation demonstration, sponsored by Addison Gallery of American Art, featuring featuring Thomas J. Branchick, director of Williamstown Art Conservation center, 1-4 p.m., Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy campus; 749-4015.

Trail work, sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, construct new trail at Wheeler property in Haverhill, meet at 9 a.m. at trailhead on Boxford Road; Dave Doub 470-3703.

Hike, sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, Holt and Boston Hills, meet 1:30 p.m., Ward Reservation parking lot, Prospect Road; Dick/Marta Hornidge 475-3595.

Stamp show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., *see entry under Saturday, Oct. 23*.

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Andona's Safety Saturday safety fair is coming Oct. 16

This Saturday, as part of its annual Safety Saturday safety fair, the Andona Society and Safety Officer Robert Cronin of the Andover Police Department will conduct a safety check of car seats.

Stations will be set up behind Old Town Hall and specially trained safety officers from around the state will check car seats and make adjustments as necessary to ensure they have been properly installed and to answer questions regarding child safety seats, seat belts and air bags.

While infants and small children are required by law to ride in car seats until they are 5 years old and weigh more than 40 pounds, according to the Essex County Saving Lives Program, 98 percent of all car seat usage is incorrect. This statistic is particularly troubling when it is known that motor vehicle



crashes are the leading cause of death for children from 5 to 14 years of age.

◀ This is how we do it — Safety Officer Robert J. Cronin shows the correct way to position Gregory Howard (son of Michelle and Michael Howard of Andover) in his car seat. Andona Society's Safety Saturday is this Saturday, Oct. 16, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Old Town Hall on Main Street. The event is free and the public is welcome.

When properly installed and used correctly, car seats are 71 percent effective in reducing death to children under the age of 5 and 69 percent effective in reducing the need for hospitalization, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Many other invaluable demonstrations are designed to educate and entertain children and parents about family safety. New presentations this year include a Red Cross demonstration on child and infant CPR, FBI information session on Internet safety, and presentations on pool safety and the safe disposal

safety vehicles and a D.A.R.E. presentation and there will be safety-related, hands-on activities for children, free raffles and door prizes.

"Please make it a point to join the fun and be a part of the Andona Society's Safety Saturday on Saturday, Oct. 16, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Old Town Hall on Main Street," organizers said. "The event is free and the public is welcome."

Havurat Shalom celebrates the harvest festival with traditional Jewish sukkah — and a tepee

What does a Jewish sukkah and a Native American tepee have in common?

The question is appropriate, as Havurat Shalom, a local Reconstructionist Jewish community, celebrated the harvest festival of Sukkot by decorating a traditional sukkah and the raising of a Lakota Native American tepee.

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◀ Power trio — Speakers (from left) Audrey Frissora, MD, radiologist at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen; Margot Bixby, 20-year breast cancer survivor, of Andover; and Charlene Lyndon, MD, obstetrician/gynecologist at Holy Family Hospital, are featured speakers at the "Breast Health for Women" luncheon scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 20, at Andover Senior Center from noon to 2:30 p.m. The luncheon is a joint presentation of the Andover Senior Center and Holy Family Hospital. The program is open to women of all ages, but due to limited seating, reservations are required. Call the Senior Center for more information.

of hazardous waste. Some popular old favorites will include Yang's Martial Arts and Martha Lindsay of the Andover Animal Hospital with one of her favorite pets to help demonstrate animal safety. The Fireman's Fund will provide photo and fingerprinting kits at no charge, the police and fire departments will display

Dances with sukkahs — Dan Krip (center) explains the tepee assembled in the style of the Midwestern Lakota Tribe in the 1800s. ▶



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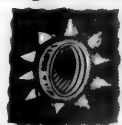
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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

100 Years Ago

There are a number of cases of diphtheria reported in town.

The foundation for Tuttle & Morrison's new shop on Park Street is nearing completion.

The local merchants and store keepers report business to be exceptionally good this fall.

Chin Sewey has opened a laundry in the Musgrove block, having bought out Charlie Howe.

D. Donovan & Sons have been painting the gates at the entrance of the town yard on Park Street.

The Italian shanty, a relic of the sewer construction, has been torn down, thus removing an eyesore from the vicinity of Carmel Woods.

Eden N. Pitman, son of contractor J. E. Pitman, shot a deer at Stowe, N.H., last week, which dressed to 112 pounds.

Plumber George Saunders is having an addition built on his house and is also having other alterations made. The work is being done by Hardy & Cole.

At the great St. Louis fair, Hood Farm Berkshires won 12 first premiums, Duchess V. of Hood farm winning over sows that had never before been beaten. The Hood Farm Jersey cow, Piggis, again won first, and Pogis, 9th, came out champion bull under 2-years-old.

Druggist Arthur Bliss had a beautiful night-blooming cereus on exhibition in his store window last Tuesday night. The pure, white, waxy blossom with its delicate stamina and calyx, and its almost overpowering fragrance attracted much attention from passers by.

Miss Margaret Newhall entertained the members of the senior class at Punchard and the teachers at her home in North Andover last evening in the first of a series of social gatherings that the seniors are planning to hold this winter at the various members' houses.

While walking up Summer Street Wednesday evening William Welch, employed as clerk by William J. Burns, the tailor, was struck just above the right eye by a rock thrown with considerable force by some miscreant of whom he could obtain no knowledge. A bad cut was caused and the blood from the wound injured his light overcoat before the bleeding could be checked. If the offender could be located, he should receive severe punishment.

50 Years Ago

Andover's quota for the 1950 community chest campaign has been set at \$18,027, Miriam Putnam, chairman of the Andover division announced

as she prepared plans to get the local organization off to a good start.

Punchard High won its third game in succession Saturday afternoon at the local playstead beating a rugged Reading High eleven, 19 to 7, before some 1,500 spectators.

Robert C. Wilkie, who is engaged in engineering research for the Pacific Mills, Lawrence, has been granted a patent on a "sliver collecting means." Mr. Wilkie, who came here from Newton, has been a resident of Andover for about 12 years.

The big 16-inch tube television set to be awarded as the major prize on Boosters' day in connection with the project to furnish 100 new uniforms for the girls' band at Punchard High School is now on display at Dalton's pharmacy together with several of the 41 prizes valued at \$1,750, which will be awarded at the Punchard-Lexington game at the playstead Saturday, Oct. 29.

25 Years Ago

Andover police and fire officials are continuing their investigation of seven suspicious fires which have taken place during the past month. Increased police patrols continue to keep surveillance throughout the town as public safety officials attempt to both

prevent further damage by the arsonist, or apprehend the offender.

A Massachusetts Association of School Committees spokesman has told the Andover School Committee that it was not obliged to find a spot for former Assistant Superintendent Edward Regan after it failed to re-elect him to that position last spring. It also said that Regan no longer had tenure as a principal here.

Commuter rail service may not be at an end in the area and there is a possibility that the once-a-day train may still stop in Andover. The possibility exists that the MBTA, which provides the daily Boston to Haverhill train, may continue its Andover stop if the selectmen indicate they will again present the matter of train service to the annual town meeting next March.

The Andover School Committee Tuesday night postponed possible raises for Superintendent Harry Westcott, until they are formally evaluated. The move also delays hikes for other personnel not covered by contracts, including Business Manager Edward Weil and his assistant manager.

10 Years Ago

Quick work and natural land formation apparently

kept 10,000 gallons of oil out of the town's water supply this week as a truck hauling diesel fuel overturned just after the on ramp merge of Route 495 north, coming from Route 93 at noon on Tuesday. The truck emptied its entire contents through holes ripped into the body and through broken valves, becoming a danger to vehicles and Andover's drinking supply.

Town Manager Kenneth Mahony, feeling that he has finished all the tasks set before him when he came to Andover, said it was time to move on last Wednesday and resigned, effective Feb. 3, 1990.

Robert E. Finneran, who served the *Andover Townsman* as editor and managing editor for 21 years, took early retirement this week.

Yvon Cormier, the developer attempting to open Trumpeters Restaurant at the Andover Country Club to the public, offered residents a second entrance to the club as way to reduce traffic on Canterbury Street, which has been the focus of community disapproval. Canterbury residents argue that the second entrance would make their street a through way.

—Compiled by Joe Vieira

NEWS FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

Here are some of the activities scheduled at the Andover Senior Center.

Internet class

A few spots are left in "Introduction to the Internet" class, which will be held Thursdays, Oct. 21 and 28, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The cost is \$25. Call the center for registration information.

Reiki Clinic

Marianne Quirk, R.N., Reiki master, will begin a Reiki clinic at the center on Tuesday mornings by appointment only (beginning Oct. 12). The cost of a half-hour session is \$15. Reiki energy helps promote physical and emotional balance and can be used as part of

an overall wellness plan. Call the center for appointment or for more information.

Chi Gung class

A six-week session of Chi Gung will begin Tuesday, Oct. 26, from 2 to 3 p.m. Chi Gung is a gentle form of tai chi exercise that relaxes the body, increases flexibility and reduces tension in muscles and joints. The cost is \$24.

Visiting artist to conduct papermaking workshop

Joy Buell of the DeCordova Museum will conduct an all-day papermaking workshop Thursday, Oct. 21. Buell has a master's in fine arts degree from Yale University and has many creative ideas for creating personal notepaper and

cards. Cost is \$20. Preregistration is necessary.

Fix-it shop

Bring in what needs fixing Tuesday, Oct. 19, between 1 and 3:30 p.m.

Oktoberfest celebration

An Oktoberfest celebration Saturday, Oct. 23, at 6 p.m. will feature a dinner with American and German cuisine and music and dancing to the Buddy Walker Fest Band. Tickets are on sale at the center for \$5.

Classical concert at the Collins Center Sunday

Cellist Evan Drachman and pianist Richard Dowling of the Piatigorsky Foundation will appear in concert Sunday, Oct.

17, at 2 p.m. at the Collins Center. Traditional folk dancers will also be included in this event.

Co-sponsored by the Andover Senior Center and

Jewish Family Service of the Merrimack Valley, the afternoon will also include a post-concert reception with the performers. Tickets are available at both locations at a cost of \$5.

Stroke Support Group to meet next Thursday

The Easter Seals Merrimack Valley Area Stroke Support Group will meet Thursday, Oct. 21, at 1:30 p.m. at the Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St. The group will be addressed by neurologist Mark Gold, MD. For more information, call Paul Chedekel, stroke support group coordinator, at 475-3298.

Easter Seals Stroke Support Group members include people who have had strokes, their families and friends. Monthly meetings provide peer support, with programs that help provide understanding of stroke-related disabilities and how to cope with them.

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OBITUARIES

Genevieve A. McCubbin

Worked for Internal Revenue Service here for many years

Genevieve A. (Flynn) McCubbin, 77, of Andover Commons, died Friday, Oct. 8, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Mrs. McCubbin was born in Lowell and graduated from Lowell High.

The former North Andover resident worked for the Internal Revenue Service in Andover for many years.

She was a parishioner of St. Michael Church in North Andover.

Mrs. McCubbin was an avid reader who enjoyed traveling, especially to Ireland; spending time with her grandchildren; and her volunteer work with Andover Commons.

Members of her family include her son and daughter-in-law, Richard and Susan McCubbin of North Andover; daughters and sons-in-law, Karen McCubbin and William Cummings of Bristol, Maine, and Eileen and James Kenny of Haverhill; brother, James Flynn of Tewksbury; sister, Loretta LaBelle of Chelmsford; six grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was said Wednesday in St. Michael Church. Burial

was in Greenwood Cemetery in Haverhill.

Arrangements were by Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home in North Andover.

Everel W. Harnden

Was a steam engineer at Tewksbury Hospital

Everel W. Harnden, 95, of Andover died Monday, Oct. 4, at Southern Maine Medical Center in Biddeford, Maine.

Mr. Harnden was born and educated in Tewksbury. He moved to Andover in 1944.

He was a steam engineer at Tewksbury Hospital before he retired in 1980. He had previously worked at Tyer Rubber Co. of Andover and Meyer Thread Co. of Lowell.

Mr. Harnden was a member of Granite State Steam Engine Club and Kaxon Antique Auto Club of Dracut.

Members of his family include his son and daughter-in-law, Philip G. and Edythe (Carnes) Harnden of Sebago, Maine; daughter, Irene Larson of Palmer; daughter-in-law, Helen (St. Amure) Harnden of Andover; 13 grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was the father of the late Robert E. Harnden and brother of the late Herbert, Josephine and Irene Harnden.

Funeral services were held last Thursday at Farmer & Dee Funeral Home in Tewksbury.

Memorial contributions may be made to National Head Injury Foundation.

Elizabeth K. Glidden

Died recently

Elizabeth Kerr Glidden, wife of the late Dr. H. Spencer Glidden of Andover and Orleans, died recently.

Members of her family include her daughter, Helen G. Wesley of Plymouth, and two granddaughters.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging, Dr. Irwin H. Rosenberg, Director, Tufts University, 136 Harrison Ave., Boston, MA 02111.

Violet H. Saulnier

Mother of seven

Violet H. (Guyette) Saulnier, 74, of Salem, N.H., died Sunday, Oct. 10, at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen.

Mrs. Saulnier was born and educated in Lawrence. She previously had lived in Andover and Derry, N.H.

Mrs. Saulnier was an assembler for Honeywell of Lawrence.

She was a member of St. Joseph Church in Salem, N.H.

Members of her family include her sons and daughters-in-law, Linus and Betty Saulnier of Bradford, Michael and Pamela Saulnier of Raymond, N.H., and Bruce and Kathleen Saulnier of Salem, N.H. daughters and sons-in-law, Francine and Charles Duchaine of Lawrence, Eleanor and Errico D'Agostino of

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Deaths Elsewhere

ATWOOD - Stephen F. Atwood, 81, of North Andover died Thursday, Oct. 7, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of his family include his brother, Frank Atwood of Andover.

BUOTE - Raymond J. Buote of Lawrence died Thursday, Oct. 7, at Sunbridge Colonial Heights.

Members of his family include his daughter and son-in-law, Carol and Michael Papa of Andover.

CAIMI - Joseph D. Caimi, 87, of North Andover died Thursday, Oct. 7, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of his family include his sisters, Josephine Caimi, Annie Nuzzo and Mary Caimi, all of Andover.

LONGWORTH - William Longworth, 85, of Methuen, a former state representative, died Monday, Oct. 11, at home.

Members of his family include his granddaughters, Mary K. Rowan and Patricia Nadeau and her husband, Scott, all of Andover.

MISTRETTE - Phyllis R. (Decubellis) Mistretta, 51, of Salem, N.H., died Friday, Oct. 8, at Elliot Hospital in Manchester, N.H., after a brief battle with cancer.

Members of her family include her sister, Julie Ahles of Andover.

TAYLOR - John Taylor, 84, died Sunday, Oct. 11, at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

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OBITUARIES

Violet H. Saulnier Naomi Ruth Shertzer

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Bow, N.H., Eileen and Chris Pappadopoulos of Andover; and Janet and James DeDeus of Bedford, N.H.; 15 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was the widow of Linus G. Saulnier.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday at St. Joseph Church. Burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery in Lawrence.

Memorial contributions may be made to High Hopes Foundation of N.H., P.O. Box 172, North Salem, NH 03073.

Naomi Ruth Shertzer Former Andover resident was college outreach coordinator

Naomi Ruth (Levy) Shertzer, 65, of Brookline, died Saturday, Oct. 9, at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center/East Campus in Boston after suffering complications from a stroke.

The former Andover resident was born in Dover, N.J., and grew up in New York City.

She was a graduate of the

Cooper Union in New York City and of Harvard University with a master's degree in education.

Mrs. Shertzer was an outreach coordinator at the University of New Hampshire for one year.

She was outreach coordinator for adult education at Northern Essex Community College in Lawrence for 25 years.

Members of her family include her husband, Gerald Shertzer of Brookline; daughters, Amy Ruth Shertzer of New York City, and Rebecca Ann Shertzer and her partner, Muriel Ortiz of Amissville, Va.; son, Dan Boaz Shertzer of Athens, Ga., and his wife, Deborah Martin; and sister, Deborah Stevens of New York City.

Services were private. Arrangements were by Levine Chapel in Brookline.

Memorial contributions may be made to Rosie's Place, 889 Harrison Ave., Boston, MA 02118.

Joan F. Yancey Punchard High grad was a flight attendant

Joan F. (O'Brien) Yancey, 69, of Norwood died Monday, Oct. 4, at Caritas Norwood Hospital, after complications from Parkinson's disease.

Mrs. Yancey was born in Lawrence and grew up in Ballardvale. She graduated from Punchard High School and Mt. Ida College.

Mrs. Yancey worked at Raytheon in Andover and as a flight attendant for American Airlines and Macchi Airlines.

After moving to Norwood in 1961, she had been active in St.

Timothy's Guild, the League of Women Voters and the local PTA.

Members of her family include her husband of 38 years, Robert G. Yancey; sons, Rob Yancey and Mark Yancey, both of Seattle, Wash., and Scott Yancey of Anchorage, Alaska; brother, James S. O'Brien of Salisbury Beach; and cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was the daughter of the late Richard and Beatrice (Scott) O'Brien, who owned and operated the Ballardvale variety store and post office.

A funeral Mass was said Friday at St. Timothy's Church in Norwood. Burial was in Highland Cemetery, also in Norwood.

Arrangements were by Gillooly Funeral Home, in Norwood.

Memorial contributions may be made to Northwest Parkinson's Disease Foundation, 1206 123rd Ave. S.E., Bellevue, WA 98005.

SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

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Members of Havurat Shalom watched and helped Dan Krip, an expert on Native American culture, assemble a tepee reminiscent of the ones used by the Midwestern Lakota Tribe in the 1800s. While Dan explained tepee life, members had a chance to think about the similarities between the two cultures.

Sukkot, a celebration thanking God for the goodness of the earth and its bounties, is celebrated symbolically by building and decorating a wooden structure called a sukkah, the home to Jews as they wandered the desert or lived in temporary shelter on farms during harvest time. Like the Native Americans' strong beliefs in spirituality, Sukkot is also meant as a time to reconnect with nature. The Native American and Jewish cultures have also used fruit and products from nature in their religious and cultural observances.

Havurat Shalom is a community of families dedicated to observing Judaism in a contemporary lifestyle. Holiday celebrations and fam-

ily services are held throughout the year. For more information, call Cindy at 470-3795.

Tot service set

Temple Emanuel of Andover, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, will hold a special abbreviated Sabbath service for toddlers, preschool and school-aged children Friday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m.

Rabbi Robert Goldstein will lead the child-centered liturgy and tell a story while Cantor Donn Rosensweig will lead the singing.

The monthly family service is held on the first Friday night of each month. The regular adult service is held at 8:15. The service is open to all, especially non-members who wish to learn more about the temple's programs for children and families.

Free health lectures offered

Introspect Center for Complementary Care is offering free lectures to promote the integration of alternative/complementary medicine in health care. Topics include Loss and Transition on Oct. 19 and Living with Cancer and Healing Perspectives on Oct. 27 at West Middle School; and Centering Prayer and Meditation on Oct. 19 and 26, and Pre- and Post-Surgery Preparation on Oct. 15, at Suite 407, 203 Turnpike St., North Andover. Call 686-6673.

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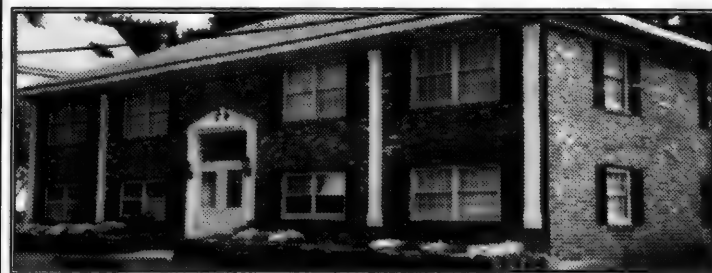
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Business

Business briefs ...

Rotary auction is Oct. 27; donations still needed

The Rotary Club of Andover is preparing for its first annual Rotary Auction to be held Wednesday, Oct. 27, to support a variety of local, national, and international causes. Some of the local groups, projects, and activities that have recently received support from the club include:

- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- People's Pantry
- Andover Youth Center
- North Andover Youth Center
- College scholarships
- Lazarus House
- Camperships for middle-schoolers
- Trauma Intervention Program
- Catholic Charities of the Merrimack Valley
- Women's Resource Center
- Mass. Society of Prevention of the Cruelty to Children

The success of the auction depends on the generosity of donors. The club is seeking donations of merchandise, services, or gift certificates worth \$50 or more to the Rotary auction.

Donations will be publicized local newspapers' preview listing of items to be auctioned, and during the auction on MediaOne local cable channel in both Andover and North Andover. Cash contributions are also welcome.

New IRS directors sworn in

Internal Revenue Service Commissioner **Charles O. Rossotti** spoke at the installation ceremony Wednesday, Oct. 6, of two women executives who were sworn in as directors at the newly-named Andover IRS Center (formerly the Andover Service Center).

Roof falls in on Raytheon stock

The signals coming from Raytheon, the defense giant with a major weapons facility in Andover, had been unsettling for months: an anticipated charge of \$450 million for its third quarter because of slow overseas orders; warnings of possible layoffs; and most recently, a decline in expected orders from the Pentagon from \$1 billion to \$800 million for replacement of missiles and bombs expended in the Kosovo conflict.

The market had responded to those warnings by driving Raytheon's share price down about 40 percent from its high of 76 1/2 this past summer to the mid 40s.

But leading up to Tuesday, various analysts and spokespersons for the company had insisted that there was no cause for serious alarm.

According to **David Shea**, one company spokesman, Raytheon certainly would have preferred the \$1 billion in orders from the Pentagon, but that it hadn't expected even the \$800 billion a year earlier.

And other analysts noted that \$200 million is not a major hit for Raytheon, since it is only about 1 percent of a \$20-billion company.

But Tuesday, when Raytheon

CEO **Daniel Burnham** acknowledged that sales and profits would be far below projections for this year and next year, the roof fell in. The company's stock plunged another 44 percent, to close just over 24.

Instead of profits in the 10-12 percent range, and revenue growth in the 6-8 percent range, Burnham said its earnings would be in the \$2.10-\$2.25 per share range, instead of earlier estimates of \$3.91 per share; and revenues down \$600 million from projections, to about \$20 billion. He said revenue growth in 2000 would be about half earlier projections, at about 3 percent.

The company also said it would be cutting 2,380 jobs, including 140 from its Lexington operation and 200 others from Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Most of the cuts will come from plants in California, New York and Texas.

Raytheon spokespersons did not return calls seeking comment Tuesday or Wednesday. But Shea had been quoted last week saying that the revised estimates on Pentagon orders would not affect Andover.

Still, with Tuesday's announcements, which included an increase in the third-quarter charge from

\$450 million to \$638 million, are concerns that the added layoffs in Massachusetts will reignite the debate over the corporate tax break granted to the company nearly four years ago, in exchange for promises to maintain employment in Massachusetts.

After layoffs announced in June at Raytheon's Advanced Device Center in Andover, some state legislators were calling for revisions to the agreement, which calls for Raytheon to maintain 90 percent of the payroll level it had on Jan. 1, 1996, but says nothing about job count ("In wake of layoffs, Raytheon defends tax breaks," *Townsmen*, June 17).

Critics say the tax break was supposed to "create jobs," and the reality has been a continuing round of layoffs. But the company has insisted that, without the agreement, layoffs in Massachusetts could have been much worse.

State Sen. **Sue Tucker**, D-Andover, agreed at least in part with the company at the time. While she declared emphatically that she was "not happy," she added that she is very leery of the Legislature trying to "micro-manage" a global corporation.

Sugarman designs bedroom at Junior League show

Andover resident **Karen Sugarman** was selected to design and display her vision of the Master Bedroom for the Junior League of Boston Decorators Showhouse, currently showing at the Commander Mansion in the Watertown Arsenal.

The Commander Mansion was constructed in 1865 by the commanding officer of Watertown Arsenal, Major Thomas J. Rodman. It is an example of Italianate Victorian architecture. The three-story mansion has not been viewed publicly in its entire 135-year history. The house has a wooden balustrade and chimneys of paneled brickwork. A

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Professional Profile



David Bernardin, at office entrance at Aberdeen Building, Shawsheen Square

Attorney David F. Bernardin

Attorney David F. Bernardin enters upon his 32nd year in the practice of law this November.

Attorney Bernardin maintains his law office in Shawshen Square, with convenient ground-level access and adjacent parking. However, he is always ready to meet his clients outside the office, and/or on weekends or at odd hours, to suit the needs and convenience of his clients.

While the office emphasis is

on real estate closings, Attorney Bernardin is well versed in trial work in all Courts of the Commonwealth, both civil and criminal, having served as an Assistant District Attorney and Essex County Public Defender at different periods of his early career.

Accident claims, estate and probate work, estate planning, elder law, divorce matters, are all within the expertise and everyday practice of Attorney Bernardin.

An Andover resident for many years, Mr. Bernardin lives on Lovejoy Road with his wife Marlene. They are the parents of Michelle (Mimi), a Registered Nurse at Children's Hospital; Paul, a technical advisor at Bell Atlantic; and Peter, a third-year student at the University of Virginia.

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BUSINESS

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Victorian veranda surrounds part of the house, and the porch roof is supported by delicate single and paired Corinthian cast-iron columns with arches of lace-like ironwork. The Commander Mansion is still a highlight of the Watertown Arsenal site and remains virtually unaltered after more than 100 years of occupancy by a long line of commanding officers. It was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1976.

Sugarman's Master Bedroom features characteristics of a bygone era: 12-foot ceilings, a carved marble fireplace and a ceiling medallion.

With a short deadline for the designers this year, Sugarman decided to highlight the bed she designed 10 years ago for her own master bedroom. "We have been camping out in the guest bedroom at home, since much of our furniture is at the Showhouse. My husband has really been a good sport about all of this," says Sugarman.

The Junior League of Boston Showhouse is open until Oct. 29th. Tickets are available by contacting the show-

house hotline at (617) 422-1907 or at the door.

Celestica acquires Hewlett-Packard Andover center

Celestica Inc., an electronics manufacturing services company, has completed its acquisition of Hewlett-Packard Company's Surface Mount Center in Andover, the printed circuit board assembly operation of HP's Healthcare Solutions Group. The acquisition brings Celestica's New England presence to more than 700 employees.

Celestica's Andover operation pro-

vides additional printed circuit board assembly capabilities to its portfolio of service offerings in the Northeast U.S. region, which includes systems integration, embedded systems design, logistics management and manufacturing services.

"This acquisition enhances our already strong presence in the strategic Northeast region, where many of our customers are located. Additionally, it provides us with further product diversification into the growing medical equipment market segment," said Eugene Polistuk, president and chief executive officer of Celestica.

Under the terms of the agreement, Celestica will provide manufacturing services to HP's Healthcare Solutions Group.

Celestica also announced that it has completed the acquisition of VXI Electronics, a provider of power conversion products and a designer and manufacturer of voltage regulator modules (VRMs) and custom power supplies. VXI's operation is located in the Portland, Ore. area, where Celestica has had a sales and technical support presence since 1996.

Established in 1995, VXI has design and manufacturing capability. "The acquisition of VXI expands Celestica's customer base and enhances our power systems product and service offerings," said Polistuk.

Celestica operates 28 manufacturing and design facilities in the United States, Canada, Mexico, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Thailand, Hong Kong, China, Malaysia and Brazil with more than 16,000 employees. The company's services include design, prototyping, assembly, testing, product assurance, supply chain management, worldwide distribution and after-sales service to industry leading original equipment manufacturers, primarily in the computer and communications sectors.

Van Dewoestine receives award from Purdue

Robert Van Dewoestine, formerly of 1 Vine St., was awarded "Outstanding Mechanical Engineer" classification by Purdue University. The 1959 Andover High School graduate has a B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from Purdue. He is division vice president and director of worldwide fiber technology for Corning Glass of Corning, N.Y.



Robert Van Dewoestine

Margolis & Cohen opens office

Margolis & Cohen, a Boston law firm that specializes in elder law services, has opened an office at 15 Railroad St., Andover.

"Our firm has been serving a growing number of elderly and disabled clients in the Andover area and the commute to Boston has been too difficult for them," said Steven M. Cohen, a partner in the firm who heads the local office.

He said the major issues the firm works on include estate and Medicaid planning evaluation, Medicare and Medicaid advocacy, planning for people with disabilities, guardianship services and retirement planning.

"The fastest-growing population group in the country are those over the age of 65, and as these individuals grow older, the number of specialized legal issues increases," Cohen said.

Margolis & Cohen, founded in 1987, also has offices in Framingham and Taunton. The phone number of the Andover office is 475-5943.

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Sports

Warriors get their scoring machine in gear over N. Andover

By Rick Harrison

ANDOVER — The Andover High varsity football team will be heavily favored to stretch its win streak through four games tomorrow night, as the Golden Warriors return to Eugene V. Lovely Field for the third straight Friday night to host winless Methuen.

Kickoff is 7 p.m.

After starting off the season 0-2, the Golden Warriors have clicked off three consecutive victories including a penalty-packed 28-8 non-league romp over North Andover.

AHS has outscored its last three opponents, 84-21, and barring a major letdown should do another number on Methuen.

The struggling Rangers, beaten 33-0 last weekend by Tewksbury, are 0-5 and have been outscored 141-19.

In a game with close to 200 yards in penalties whistled, Andover raced to a 14-0 first quarter lead against North Andover and led the Scarlet Knights 28-0 before the visitors managed a late-game touchdown.

Chris Rogers, who is second to Billerica's rifle-armed Chris Doneski among Merrimack Valley Conference quarterbacks in touchdown passes thrown, pitched his sixth and seventh of the year to tight end Pat Murnane.

Rogers, who also scored his first points on a one yard plunge, hit 10 more passes overall for 170 yards.

Mike Giles notched his team-high seventh TD to rank among the top scorers in Eastern Mass. Division 2, and Charles Murnane was a perfect 4-for-4 in PAT kicks.

The opportunistic Golden Warriors' defense forced five turnovers, recovering one fumble and intercepting four passes.

The Golden Warriors have now beat-

en the Cape Ann League Scarlet Knights 10 straight times, after losing a 21-6 decision when the series was first renewed in 1987.

If coach Ken Maglio's crew gets past Methuen tomorrow night, it will be 2-1 and in the thick of the fight for the MVC title and accompanying Super Bowl berth.

Chelmsford and Billerica, who do not play one another until Thanksgiving morning, enter this weekend's play atop the conference standings at 3-0.

Tewksbury is also 3-0 in the league and two-time defending champ Central Catholic continues to hang around with only one MVC loss.

The Golden Warriors hit a potentially tough stretch of games beginning next week.

They travel to Tewksbury for a Saturday afternoon game on Oct. 23, play Lowell at the Red Raiders' Cawley Memorial Stadium on Oct. 29, and host revitalized Chelmsford on Nov. 5.

Tewksbury, whose only loss was 35-21 to nationally-ranked, two-time defending Division 1 Super Bowl champ Everett, is an offensive wagon with a prolific quarterback in Tom Sullivan (five TD passes) and a full house backfield consisting of swift Erik Hamilton, Mark Boudreau (29 points), Ryan Carlson (22 points) and Eric Nickerson. Jay Wagstaff is Sullivan's favorite target (three TD catches).

Chelmsford, 4-0 overall, snapped Central's 17-game conference win streak two weeks ago and has been averaging over 30 points per game while recording blowout wins over non-league North Middlesex Regional, Methuen and Lowell.

Lions' running back Chris Piscione has 10 touchdowns and 559 yards rush-

ing.

Rogers launched the scoring against North Andover with his one-yard sneak, capping an 11-play, 74-yard drive on the winners' first possession.

Rogers hooked up with co-favorite target Pat Murnane on a 27 yard touchdown pass in the final minute of the opening stanza, the toss culminating another march covering 53 yards in eight plays.

The teams traded interceptions in the second quarter, Murnane recording the AHS pick and North Andover shooting itself in the foot with a rash of unsportsmanlike conduct penalties that helped blunt two scoring threats.

The same duo connected early in the third period on a 37 yard TD pass, Murnane sneaking behind the NA secondary for his fourth touchdown catch this fall and 11th of his career.

Giles, who rushed for a team-high 75 yards to boost his season total to 286 yards, knifed across from the one late in the third period.

Giles also sparkled on defense with an interception and fumble recovery.

The Scarlet Knights kept their collective tempers and avoided the shutout by scoring a meaningless touchdown against the Andover reserves with 78 seconds to play.

Jeff Cruz, who finished as the game's top rusher because of this one play, sprinted 68 yards for the six points.

Prime Time Sports Player of the Week were a pair of tackles, Mike Burnett on offense and Peter An on defense.

Pat Murnane finished the game with three catches for 72 yards and Charles Murnane had four receptions for 51 yards.

FOOTBALL

ANDOVER 28, NORTH ANDOVER 8 at Eugene V. Lovely Field

North Andover	0	0	0	8	—	8
Andover	14	0	14	0	—	28

A: Chris Rogers 1 run (Charles Murnane kick)
A: Pat Murnane 27 pass from Rogers (CMurnane kick)
A: PMurnane 37 pass from Rogers (CMurnane kick)
A: Mike Giles 1 run (CMurnane kick)
NA: Jeff Cruz 68 run (Mark Trombly pass from Ryan Donovan)

Team Statistics

First Downs: Andover 11; North Andover 8.
Rushes/Yards: Andover 26-115; North Andover 29-189.
Passing: Andover 10-18-2, 170 yards, 2 TDs; North Andover 4-13-4, 29 yards.
Total Yards: Andover 285; North Andover 218.
Fumbles/Lost: Andover 4-2; North Andover 4-1.
Punts/Ave: Andover 1-25; North Andover 3-19.
Penalties/Yds: Andover 5-45; North Andover 10-120.
Scrimmage Plays: Andover 49; North Andover 46.
Records: Andover 3-2, North Andover 2-3.

Individual Statistics

Rushing: A, Mike Giles 11-75, TD; Ben Perkins 5-28; Luis Santiago 2-12; Shahriar Gandhi 2-8; Bruce Brown 1-3; Dan Hughes 1-0; Mike Gibson 1-0. NA, Jeff Cruz 10-91; Chris Finn 12-42; Gary Armeen 5-39; Marc Perry 1-5; Ryan Donovan 1-2.
Passing: A, Chris Rogers 10-18-2, 172 yards, 2 TDs; NA, Ryan Donovan 4-13-4, 30 yards.
Receiving: A, Pat Murnane 3-72; Charles Murnane 4-51; Bruce Brown 1-22; Luis Santiago 1-15; Mike Giles 1-9. NA, Jeff Cruz 3-25; Marc Perry 1-5.
Interceptions: A, Pat Murnane 1, Ben Perkins 1, Mike Giles 1, Vern Trageser 1.
Top Tacklers: A, Sean Smith 9, Luis Santiago 8, Chris Barry 7, Sean Lawton 4, Jon Maloney 4, Ben Perkins 4.

Top tackler was Sean Smith with nine stops, followed by Luis Santiago with eight, Chris Barry seven, Sean Lawton four, Jon Maloney four and Ben Perkins four.

Giles, Pat Murnane, Perkins and Vern Trageser had an interception each. For the season, Rogers is 49-for-92 passing (53 percent) for 830 yards (four interceptions).

Pat Murnane has 19 receptions for 302 yards, Charles Murnane 12 for 208

yards, Bruce Brown five for 125 yards and Mike Giles seven for 102 yards. Giles has 286 yards rushing in 54 carries (5.3 average).

The Andover/Methuen rivalry is even since 1981 with both teams winning nine games.

AHS drilled the Rangers 27-8 last year after Methuen had shut out the locals, 16-0 and 24-0, the previous two seasons.

Both soccer teams, girls volleyball team score Division 1 North Tournament berths

By Rick Harrison

It was a productive week for Andover High varsity sports teams as the girls soccer, boys soccer and girls volleyball teams all nailed down Division 1 North Tournament berths.

Both soccer teams also took a giant stride toward winning the Merrimack Valley Conference championship after posting big victories over key rivals.

The AHS girls came from behind in the closing minutes to nudge previously-undefeated Billerica, 2-1, moving to a comfortable nine-point MVC Division 1 lead over the runner-up Indians (Billerica has two games in hand).

The AHS boys avenged their only league loss with a 2-0 triumph over Central Catholic, the victory inching the Golden Warriors one slim point ahead of Lowell (6-1-3 in league), three up on Chelmsford (6-3-1) and four ahead of Central (5-2-2) and Methuen (4-4-4).

The girls volleyball team has a two-match lead over Lowell in MVC Division 2.

Girls soccer, girls volleyball and MVC co-leader girls swim and dive all remain undefeated and untied.

The composite won-lost-tied record of the nine AHS fall varsity sports teams through Tuesday is an impressive 58-17-7.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Andover High girls improved to 4-1 overall with a Merrimack Valley

Conference tri-meet sweep of Billerica, 21-40, and Dracut, 17-46.

The AHS boys, with sophomore standout Tim Galebach winning another race, split their tri-meet with a 15-48 romp over Dracut and tight 26-30 loss to Billerica.

Schedule

The AHS girls had a huge test yesterday against undefeated MVC Division 2 power Tewksbury (7-0), as the Golden Warrior boys and girls hosted both Tewksbury and Central Catholic.

Next Wednesday the locals travel to Lowell to face the host Red Raiders and Haverhill in a tri-meet at Shedd Park (3:30 p.m.).

Captain Blais

Nathan Blais, a senior member of the Andover High varsity boys cross country team, is also one of the squad's three captains this fall.

It was incorrectly reported in an earlier edition that Blais was a junior and that Brendan Ahern, not Blais, was the third captain.

Andover girls

The Lady Warriors took three of the top four places, and eight of the first 12, on the way to the sweep against Billerica and Dracut.

Junior Emily Pfeil was second over the 3.0 mile Billerica course in 20:27, trailing only Lisa Geary of host BMHS (20:06).

Junior Sheena Patel was third

(20:46), sophomore Laura O'Connell fourth (20:55) and junior Caitlin Woo sixth (21:31).

Senior Laura Schrader completed the scorers, eighth in 22:08, while other strong performances were contributed by Capt. Dorothy Stowe (ninth, 22:11), junior Kaitlin Stolberg (10th, 22:17) and Melissa Yee (12th, 22:30).

Andover boys

Tim Galebach, fresh off his impressive win at Chelmsford a week earlier, blew the field away with a 22-second victory over Billerica's 3.0 mile course.

Galebach crossed the line in 15:58, well ahead of second place Ryan Gough of Billerica (16:20).

Also placing top 15 for the locals were junior Brendan Ahern (fifth, 17:05), Tom Lane (sixth, 17:50), Capt. Greg Stamm (seventh, 17:19), sophomore Andy Pfeil (11th, 17:59) and junior Brian Gosselin (12th, 18:04).

GIRLS SWIM & DIVE

The potential state-champion Andover High girls swim and dive team improved its dual-meet record to a gaudy 8-0 with recent Merrimack Valley Conference dual-meet victories over Haverhill, 111-67, and Notre Dame Academy of Tyngsboro, 99-82.

Along the way the Lady Warriors boosted their six-meet totals to an impressive 43 state- and 20 additional sectional-cut times.

Schedule

Andover returns to the water tomorrow when it hosts MVC rival Nashua, N.H. at the Greater Lawrence Tech pool, and next Friday the Lady Warriors face Billerica at the Shawheen Tech pool in Billerica (3:30 p.m. meets).

The huge MVC title showdown with Chelmsford is getting closer, scheduled for Oct. 29 at Greater Lawrence Tech. The defending champion Lions are 7-0.

Andover 111 Haverhill 67

The margin of victory in this home meet at the Greater Lawrence Tech pool surprised even the head coach.

"I become more of a believer every meet. Maybe we're even stronger than I thought," said coach Fitzgerald. "You never take anything for granted against Rick (Haverhill coach Battistini). That's why I'm ecstatic we beat Haverhill by so much."

Andover placed first in all 12 events and swept the top three spots in the 200-yard freestyle, 50 free, 100 free and one meter diving.

They were also 1-2 in the 200 IM, 500 free, 100 breaststroke, 200 medley relay and 200 free relay.

There were three more state qualifying performances, three sectional cuts and 10 personal-best times.

Holly Boucher, Sally Brown and Connie Brown were all double individual race winners.

Boucher placed first in the 50 free sprint (24.44) and 100 free (54.09), Sally

Brown won the 200 free (1:59.60) and 100 breast (1:11.06), and Connie Brown touched first in the 100 butterfly (personal-best 56.53) and 100 backstroke (58.03).

Lauren Harlow won the 200 IM (personal-best 2:14.81) and Caitlin Geary the 500 free (5:16.88).

Sweeping the diving, and qualifying for the state meet at the same time, were winner Kristen Elmsore (195.45 points), runner-up Krit Kearins (190.95) and Jen Busby (187.95).

The victorious 200 medley relay included Erica Dovadjian, Harlow and the Brown sisters (1:54.72).

Placing first in the 200 free relay were Sally Brown, Beth Couture, Dovadjian and Holly Hinds (1:47.44).

Completing the relay sweep was the 400 free quartet of Harlow, Geary, Boucher and Connie Brown (3:49.85).

Hinds was individual runner-up in both the 200 IM (2:20.41) and 100 free (personal-best 57.90).

Other seconds were contributed by Geary (200 free, 2:06.63), Couture (50 free, 26.47), Harlow (500 free, personal-best 5:17.31) and Dana Medaglio (100 breast, personal-best 1:14.16).

Second-place relays were the 200 medley crew of Boucher, Medaglio, Hinds and Couture (1:57.50), and the 200 free foursome of Hillary Schofield, Edie Muller, Monika Eghbalian and Krissey O'Neill (1:55.10).

Adding third places were Alexis Caselle in the 200 free (sectional-cut 2:10.19), Dovadjian (50 free, 26.94), Egh-

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SCHOOLTALK

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peted at the Malden/Melrose NESBA competition and brought home a

silver medal with a score of 80.8. The band will also compete in Dedham, East Bridgewater and

New Bedford.

Finals will be held Nov. 7 at East Boston Stadium.

This year the band will feature music from Sting, including *Every Little Thing* and *She Does is Magic*,

They Dance Alone and *Englishman in New York*. **Brandon Psenicka** is marching band director for the second year. Senior **Zoe Vasconcellos Hastings** is drum major and senior **Sarah Spollett** is color guard captain. The 37-member band includes 10 seniors and 12 newcomers. Students earn a varsity letter

for participating. Parents play an important role, organizing and running the many activities the band participates in. The marching band plays at all home and away football games, Veterans Day services, the Firefighters Santa Parade, and the Andover and Tewksbury Memorial Day parades.

Fundraising activities throughout the year include hosting the competition with a concession stand and 50/50 raffle. The band also raises money collecting bottles and cans throughout the year and at the town recycling day on the third Saturday in May. Bottles and cans can also be picked up by contact-

ing a band member. The Band Association uses the money to buy color guard uniforms, equipment, and instrument repairs and offers scholarships to marching band seniors. The band recently replaced an outdated amplifier and speaker system with a new compact system.

The band invited eighth-grade students to the Oct. 1 home-opener football game. The students marched in formation to the field, played the National Anthem and sat with the band. They were able to play *The Andover Song* several times to celebrate the team's touchdowns and were involved in a battle of the bands in the third quarter with the opposing schools' marching band playing *The Hey Song*.

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West Elementary fifth-graders will be studying how social studies ties into art history on Monday, Oct. 18 and Tuesday, Oct. 19. Artist **Carin Doben's** program, *Art Quest* introduces students to art appreciation, art criticism and comparative art as they explore early American history. She provides slides of individual portraits, family portraits, landscapes and still-lives made during this period. An open ended format and discussion will better help history come alive for these young students.

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AHS ROUNDUP

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balian (100 fly, personal-best 1:05.56), Muller (100 free, personal-best 59.41) and Lauren Kapelson (100 back, personal-best 1:08.94).

The 400 free relay of Couture, Muller, Caitlin Hamer and Douvadjian was third (4:10.32).

Finishing fourth were Schofield in the 200 IM (sectional-cut 2:28.47), Katya Yerozolimsky (100 fly, 1:13.13), Hamer (500 free, sectional-cut 5:49.09) and Ellie Browne with a 1:12.65 swimming the 100 back for the first time this season.

Ali Munroe completed the scorers with a fifth in the 100 breast (personal-best 1:29.56).

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Notre Dame Academy 82

Sally Brown won two races and highlighted the meet with a split-second victory over defending state champ Melissa Lague of NDA in the 200-yard individual medley.

Brown captured the IM in 2:09.63 (Lague swam 2:10.36) and also touched first in the 500 freestyle (5:14.50).

Connie Brown and Holly Boucher were again double winners for AHS, Connie in the 100 butterfly

(58.40) and 100 backstroke (58.50) and Boucher in the 200 free (state-cut 1:59.98) and 100 free (55.10).

The Lady Warriors also placed first in all three relays, including the 200 medley which featured Holly Hinds, Boucher and the Brown sisters (1:53.16).

The 200 free quartet included Beth Couture, Erica Douvadjian, Sally Brown and anchorperson Boucher (1:43.18), while the victorious 400 free crew consisted of Caitlin Geary, Hinds, Connie Brown and Caitlin Hamer (4:04.91).

Andover finished 2-3-4 in the one-meter diving with state qualifiers Jen Busby (224.15 points), Kristen Elsmore (204.95) and Krit Kearins (198.35) trailing the Lancers' Heather Brogan (226.75).

Runners-up for AHS were Hinds (50 free, 26.41), Lauren Harlow (100 free, state-cut 56.56), Geary (500 free, 5:25.72) and Dana Medaglio (100 breaststroke, 1:13.86).

The 400 free relay of Edie Muller, Katya Yerozolimsky, Lauren Kapelson and Alexis Caselle finished second (4:22.79).

Contributing thirds were Hamer (200 free, 2:12.55), Geary (200 IM,

state-cut 2:20.90), Hinds (100 fly, 1:05.00) and Harlow (100 back, 1:05.31).

The 200 medley team of Harlow, Douvadjian, Couture and Geary was also third (2:00.57).

Placing fourth for the powerhouse locals were Caselle (200 free, 2:13.00), Couture (50 free, 26.94), Monika Eghbalian (100 fly, 1:08.02), Douvadjian (100 free, 1:01.19), Ellie Browne (500 free, 5:57.28), Melissa Griffin (100 back, 1:11.10) and Hillary Schofield (100 breast, 1:18.97).

Completing the scorers in fifth were Douvadjian (50 free, 27.16), Muller (100 back, 1:11.39) and Krissy O'Neill (100 breast, 1:20.10).

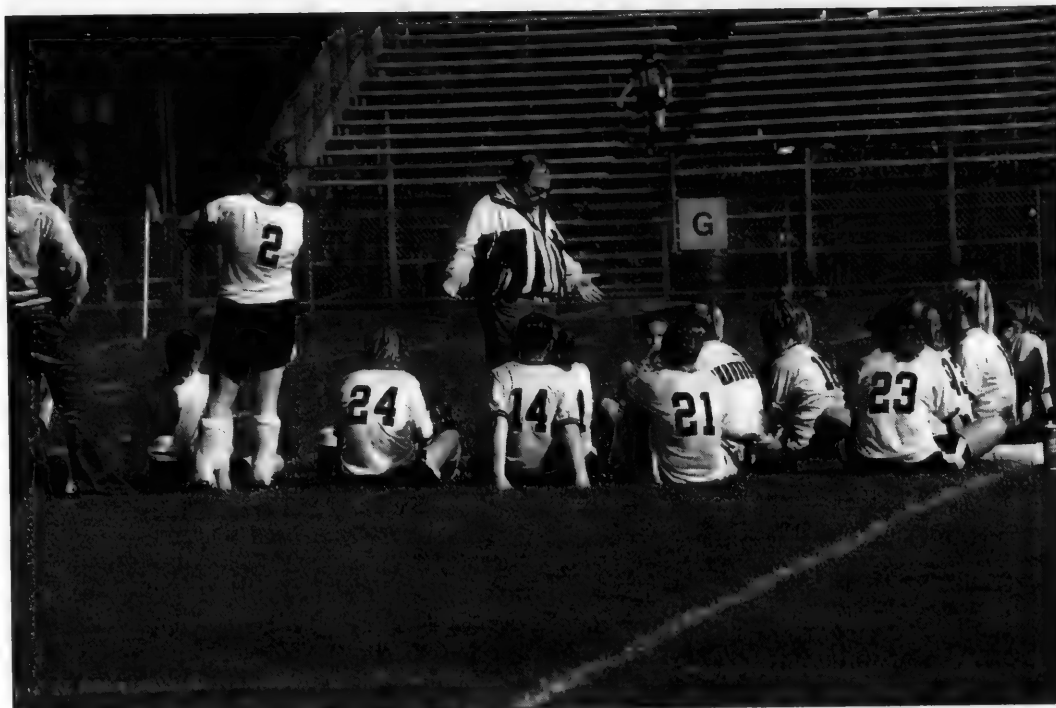
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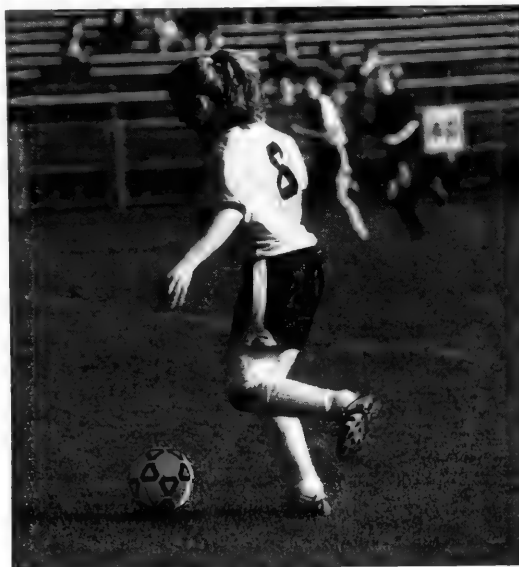
The Lady Warriors placed first in 11 of the 12 events, led by Connie Brown with a pair of victories including another state-cut winning effort in the 100-yard freestyle (52.60).

Connie also touched first in the 200 IM (2:08.56), while other individual wins came from Sally Brown (50 free, 24.79), Caitlin Geary (200 free, 2:03.50), Holly Hinds (100 butterfly, 1:03.09), Lauren Harlow (500 free, 5:19.16) and Holly Boucher (100 breaststroke, 1:08.93).

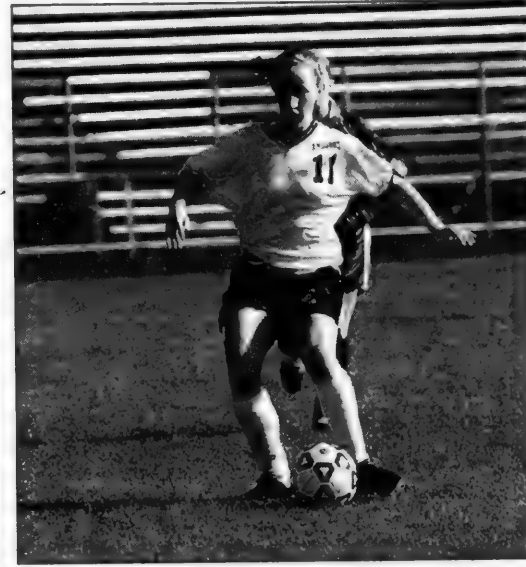


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The Andover High girls varsity soccer team is a perfect 12-0, with Merrimack Valley Conference victories over Billerica (2-1), Haverhill (4-0) and Methuen (3-0). The Lady Warriors are aiming for their 10th conference title in the last 15 years, and have outscored their first dozen opponents by a wide 61-12 margin with six shutouts, including the 4-0 blanking of Haverhill last Saturday. (Story, page 42.)



Lisa Tisbert



Kaitlin Hill

Krit Kearins won the diving for the second time this season, scoring 182.78 points. Erin Daly was second off the one-meter board with a sectional-cut 160.95 points, Becky Haas third (152.48) and Bahaar Massihzadegan fourth (140.40).

The victorious 200 medley relay team of Boucher,

Hinds and the Brown sisters finished in a season-best 1:52.41, a time not far off the existing state record.

The winning 200 free relay was Boucher, Geary and the Browns (1:53.12), while the first-place 400 free quartet included Geary, Hinds, Harlow and Sally Brown who anchored all

three relays (3:52.22).

"In the medley relay we had girls swim different strokes and go in a different order — and it turned out to be a great mix," said coach Fitzgerald.

Individual runners-up were Boucher (200 IM, 2:15.53), Edie Muller (500 free, sectional-cut 5:50.09) and Christiana Kuipers (100 backstroke, 1:16.59).

Third-place finishers included Monika Eghbalian (100 butterfly, 1:05.60) and Beth Couture (100 free, 1:01.88).

Third-place relays were the 200 medley team of Ellie Browne, Dana Medaglio, Katya Yerozolimsky and Couture and the 200 free crew of Krissy O'Neill, Yerozolimsky, Katie Buckley and Couture (1:56.87).

Placing fourth for AHS were Lauren Kapelson (200 free, 2:21.66), Caitlin Hamer (50 free, 27.50), Alexis Caselle (100 free, 1:03.15), Hillary Schofield (500 free, sectional-cut 5:57.97) and Kerry O'Brien (100 back, 1:19.25).

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AHS ROUNDUP

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Completing the pointscorers in fifth were O'Neill (200 IM, 2:37.92), Browne (100 fly, 1:13.63), Ali Munroe (100 back, 1:20.56) and senior Ashley Hargadon (100 breast, 1:26.25).

GIRLS SOCCER

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The Lady Warriors, churning steadily toward their 10th conference title in the last 15 years, have outscored their first dozen opponents by a wide 61-12 margin, with six shutouts.

Schedule

Andover played at Chelmsford yesterday, hosts Marian on "Youth Night" this Saturday, and has consecutive tough games next Monday and Thursday at home against MVC Division 2 leader Central Catholic (7 p.m.) and Billerica.

AHS is in the middle of a stretch of seven straight home games. The only pre-tournament road game left is the regular season finale Oct. 30 at North Andover (7 p.m.).

Youth Night

The annual "Youth Night" has been

scheduled for this Saturday when non-league foe Marian High of Framingham is in town.

Any youngster playing Andover youth soccer who wears their team jersey to the 6 p.m. varsity game, and is accompanied by an adult, will be admitted free of charge.

Injury report

Two AHS players were injured in the rough-and-tumble win over Billerica, although both stayed in the game.

Katie Kramer suffered a nasty bruise on her leg, and goalkeeper Taylor Traub was hurt when a Billerica player accidentally stepped on her arm as the Indians scored their only goal.

Both played the next game against Haverhill, although Kramer was used sparingly and her play was affected by the leg injury.

Scoring leaders

Although hobbled recently, Katie Kramer remains the top AHS scorer with 14 goals and eight assists.

Lisa Tisbert has eight goals and seven assists, Allison Corey eight goals and six assists, Jessie DeFrancisco five goals, six assists and Jenny Muller seven goals, two assists.

Andover 2

Billerica 1

In the toughest game of the season thus far, played against longtime archrival Billerica, the visiting Lady Warriors erased a 1-0 deficit in the final four minutes to pull out the come-from-behind victory.

"Billerica and North Andover have developed into terrific rivalries over the years," said coach Loschi. "North Andover is more of a friendly thing —

while Billerica seems like a grudge match every time.

"They were aggressive and extremely physical. It always seems to be tougher when we play over there. You can feel the tension in the air every time we walk on their field. We're much more comfortable when we play them at home."

The Indians snapped a 0-0 tie 18 minutes into the second half on an unassisted goal by Daniela Ferrara.

"We had a defensive breakdown and it cost us," said Loschi.

Katie Kramer finally tied it for Andover at 36:30, less than four minutes from the finish, when she drilled a penalty kick past Billerica goalkeeper Becky Conway.

"The goal had some controversy surrounding it," said Loschi. "Billerica was called for tripping Katie in the box. It was a questionable call — but for us it was a gift from heaven."

Kramer connected to keep AHS perfect this season on penalty kicks (3-for-3).

With time running out Allison Corey scored the game-winner and handed Billerica (5-1-3) its first loss.

Jessie DeFrancisco took a shot at the goal and the ball landed at Amy Axelrod's feet. She tapped it off keeper Conway, and Corey moved in to tuck a shot into the lower right corner with just 47 seconds left (39:13).

"Nothing went right for us until the final four minutes," said Loschi. "Our passing and shots were off target. But we woke up in a big way after the penalty kick."

Andover finished with a wide 18-2 shots-on-goal edge. BMHS keeper Conway made 16 saves and Andover's Taylor Traub logged just one stop in a com-

plete-game effort.

Traub went the distance despite suffering an arm injury when Billerica scored its goal.

"Our defense did a terrific job keeping the ball out of the area," said Loschi.

Standouts for the locals included full-backs Axelrod and Brittany Traynor, sweeper Diana Petersen, stopper Lisa Tylus, and midfielders Kaitlin Hill and Caity Murray.

Andover 4

Haverhill 0

Brittany Traynor and Lisa Tisbert scored two goals apiece as the locals avoided a major letdown after the big win over Billerica.

Traynor gave host AHS a 1-0 lead at 11:55 of the first period, heading the ball past Hillies' keeper Emily Lyons off a corner kick by Kasey Dexter.

Traynor's second goal of the game, and fifth of the season, was almost an instant replay 15 minutes into the second half as she headed in a corner kick by Tisbert.

Tisbert added a pair of insurance goals less than three minutes apart midway through the second half.

She took a Megan Munroe crossing pass out of the air and volleyed the ball into the net at 20:03, and tucked home a low shot to the short side at 22:17 after collecting a loose ball.

For Tisbert, who scores in bunches, the goals were her seventh and eighth of the season.

Taylor Traub played the first 50 minutes and the last 10 minutes in net. Anna Vining was the keeper for 20 minutes before leaving with a bruised shoulder when accidentally kicked by a Haverhill player.

The pair combined to make four

saves and post the team's fifth shutout.

Also playing well for AHS were junior midfielder Tina Baraby and senior forwards Audra Alexander and Alexis Contos.

Andover 3

Methuen 0

Amy Axelrod broke the scoreless tie at 29:56 of the first half, blasting a 30 yard shot into the net after a right-wing set up pass from Kaitlin Hill.

Jessie DeFrancisco's bullet into the bottom left corner at 36:55, assisted by Caitlin Murray, hiked the lead to 2-0 at the half.

Allison Corey added more insurance at 12:48 of the second half, driving a low shot past Methuen keeper Shannon Augeri after a crossing pass from the left-wing side by Axelrod.

Taylor Traub played the first half in net for AHS and Kaitlin Hyde, returning after a two-game absence, worked the final 40 minutes.

The pair combined for five saves as Andover blanked the Rangers for the second time this fall.

The busy Augeri made 19 saves.

"The first eight or nine minutes of both halves Methuen was very aggressive," said coach Loschi. "But they eventually wore down as the game progressed."

Also playing well for the MVC leaders were midfielders Tina Baraby and Siobhan Daniels, along with forwards Lisa Tisbert, Erica Tebbetts and Audra Alexander.

GOLF

The Andover High golf team remained in contention for an unprece-

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AHS ROUNDUP

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dented seventh straight Merrimack Valley Conference title with recent wins over Billerica, Dracut and Chelmsford.

The Golden Warriors rolled to lopsided victories over the Indians (11-1), Middies (12-0) and Lions, while also dropping close decisions to upstart Haverhill, 7 1/2 to 4 1/2, and league-leading Methuen, 6 1/2 to 5 1/2.

A win over Methuen would have tied the two teams for the top, but instead coach Bob Lawson's squad stands at 7-3-1 overall while Methuen is 9-1-1.

AHS must tie one of its remaining five matches to qualify for the Division 1 North Tournament later this month.

Andover 11 Chelmsford 1

The host Golden Warriors, who tied Chelmsford 6-6 earlier this fall, won seven of the eight matches and swept the four best ball points to register the convincing victory at Indian Ridge CC.

J.J. Herling and Derek Barenboim were co-medalists as each shot a 4-over 40, while Jon Ofria and Nick Berger carded 41.

All of the individual matches were close. Herling, Capt. Alex Berger and Tim LeGrow won 1-up, Jon Ofria and Rick Umlah were 2-up victors, Nick Berger won 2-and-1 and Barenboim 3-and-1.

Brian Alberico, who lost a tough match to Jeff Wilson on the final hole, teamed with Ofria to earn a best ball point. Other best ball points were secured by Herling/Alex Berger, LeGrow/Nick Berger and Umlah/Barenboim.

Andover 11 Billerica 1

This convincing win at Indian Ridge CC avenged a season-opening 7-5 loss to Billerica at the Country Club of Billerica.

The Golden Warriors won seven of the eight individual matches and swept all four best ball points.

Chalking up victories were overall medalist Brian Alberico, who shot three-over 39, J.J. Herling (42), Nick Berger, Jon Ofria (42), Dan Lentz and Capt. Alex Berger (42) and Mark Russo.

The majority of the matches were tight. Alex Berger won 1-up, Ofria and Herling both 2-up, Nick Berger and Lentz 2-and-1.

Methuen 6 1/2 Andover 5 1/2

The Rangers won by the narrowest of margins at Indian Ridge CC, and by doing so held sole possession of first place in the conference.

AHS trailed 5 1/2 to 1/2 after the first two groups, with Alex Berger salvaging a half-point by tying Methuen's Jake Alfano.

The final two AHS groups dominated, but the furious rally fell just short as the Rangers held on for the win.

Victories for the Golden Warriors were by Nick Berger, Tim LeGrow and J.J. Herling, while Dan Lentz halved his match with Methuen's Jeff Fraga.

Berger and LeGrow won their best ball point, 3-and-2, while Herling and Lentz halved the best ball.

Herling was the team medalist with a three-over 39, while Nick Berger and Lentz both shot 41.

EARLIER MATCHES

Andover 12 Dracut 0

The locals swept to victory in all eight individual matches, and captured the four best ball points, to whitewash host Dracut at Hickory Hill GC in Methuen.

Rick Umlah earned overall medalist honors with a 39, and joining him in the winner's circle for AHS were junior Jon Ofria (41), Capt. Alex Berger and Mark Russo (41), sophomore Peter Burbank (41), Derek Barenboim, Nick Berger and Tim LeGrow.

Burbank, Russo, Barenboim and LeGrow closed out their matches quickly, while the tightest wins were by Nick Berger (1-up) and Alex Berger (2-up).

Tom Lamond was the Dracut medalist with a 44.

Haverhill 7 1/2 Andover 4 1/2

The Hillies defeated Andover on its own turf, as the Golden Warriors managed only three individual wins, one tie and a best ball victory in the MVC match at Indian Ridge CC.

It was only the second loss in 64 matches for Andover, and the first at IRCC in more than five years.

AHS winners were Capt. Alex Berger, sophomore Tim LeGrow and sophomore Dan Lentz.

Berger and LeGrow also teamed to win their best ball point, while sophomore J.J. Herling halved his match with Jeff Borden of Haverhill.

Junior Jon Ofria was the Golden Warriors' team

medalist with a one-over 37 while playing No. 1, while his Haverhill opponent Greg Guilmette took overall medalist honors at even-par 36.

Other top scores were turned in by Herling and the Hillies' John Cantwell who both shot 38.

BOYS SOCCER

The Andover High boys varsity soccer team, which hasn't lost since the Kickoff Classic championship, stretched its win streak to three straight and its undefeated skein through six games with a 1-1 tie against Dracut and convincing wins over Haverhill (8-1), Tewksbury (6-0) and Methuen (3-0).

The Merrimack Valley Conference leaders allowed only two goals and posted four shutouts in the six-game stretch, boosting their league record to 7-1-2 and the overall mark to 8-2-2.

The most potent offensive team in the league has outscored its 12 opponents, 48-13, with eight enemy goals coming in two games. Lowell is a distant second in goals scored, 20 behind with 28.

Schedule

Andover hosted Billerica last night, hosts red-hot Lowell (6-2-3) on Saturday morning (10 a.m.), and plays at Billerica next Monday afternoon (3:30).

Leading scorers

Paul Bellacqua remains the top AHS sniper with a league-high 15 goals and six assists.

Mike Grieco has eight goals and eight assists, recently-hot Matt Bengston six goals, six assists and Josh Gagnon five goals, two assists.

Andover 2 Central Catholic 0

Central (7-2-3 overall) had only yielded five goals in its previous 11 games, and handed the Golden Warriors their only shutout loss of the season (also 2-0) on Sept. 18.

Paul Bellacqua's 15th goal in the 21st minute of the first half gave the locals all they needed in this one.

Felipe Ricci controlled the ball in close to the goal, punched a pass through several Central defenders, and Bellacqua converted for the 1-0 lead.

Matt Bengston provided the insurance midway through the second half, taking a crossing pass from Josh Gagnon a drilling a 12 yard shot just inside the near post.

NOTICE ANDOVER HOME FOR AGED PEOPLE

The Annual Meeting of the Corporation will be held at the law office of Attorney John R. Bryden, 26 Chestnut Street, Andover, MA., on Tuesday, October 26, 1999; commencing at 7:00 P.M.

Attest Judith Avery
Clerk of the Corporation
October 14, 1999

Dan Bellacqua made nine saves in the AHS net on the way to his third complete-game shutout and the team's sixth whitewash.

Defensive leaders for Andover included stopper Jon Lakow, sweeper Jim Hale and wing-halfbacks Chris Brouillard and Steve Liu.

Central goalkeeper Matt Gagne finished with seven saves.

"Andover took the mid-

field play completely away from us and dominated in every facet of the game," admitted disheartened Raiders' head coach Ray Flaherty.

Andover 6 Tewksbury 0

The Golden Warriors had no trouble completing a season series sweep of the Redmen, posting this victory under the lights at Love-ly Field.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Jeffrey S. Shapiro and Joanne Shapiro to Home Owners Federal Savings and Loan Association dated March 14, 1986 and filed with the Essex North County Registry District of the Land Court at Document No. 39781 as noted on Certificate of Title No. 9276, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 9:00 a.m. on the 10th day of November, 1999 at 25 Mohawk Road, Andover, Massachusetts all and singular the premises described in said mortgage to wit:

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WESTERLY: by lot one hundred twenty four (124) on said plan three hundred eighty three and 97/100 (383.97) feet.

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Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
October 14, 1999

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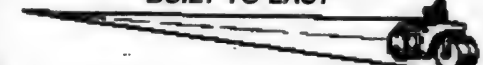
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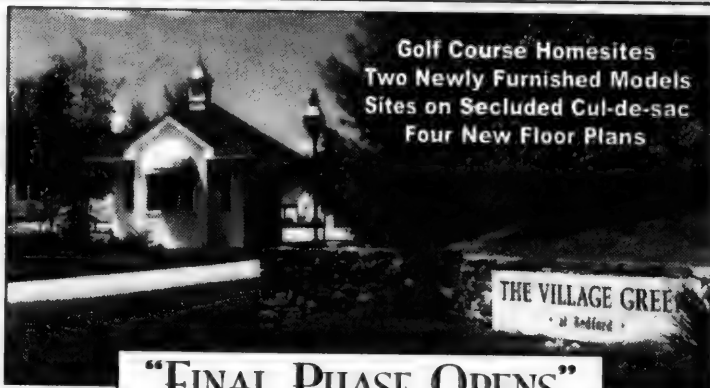
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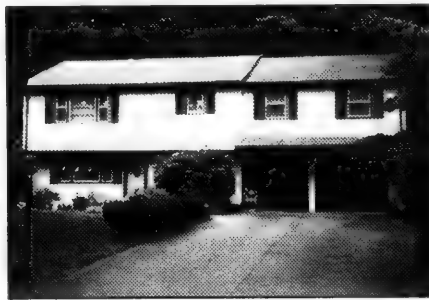
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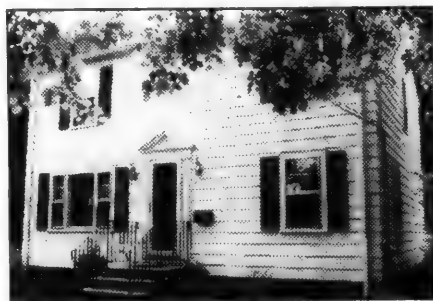
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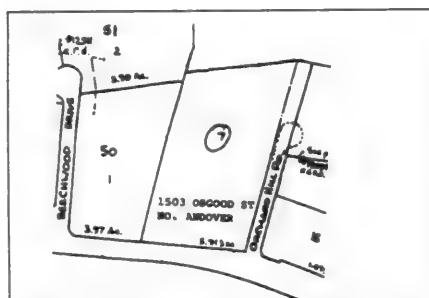
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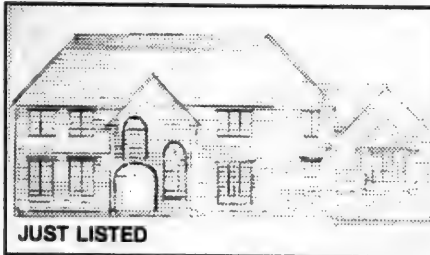
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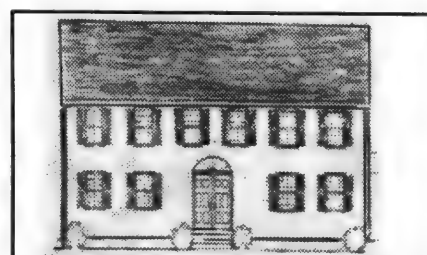


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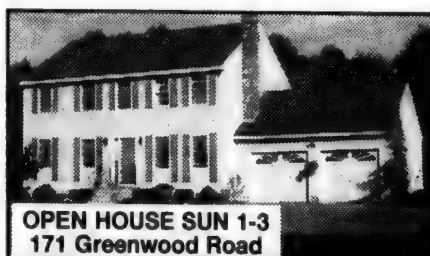
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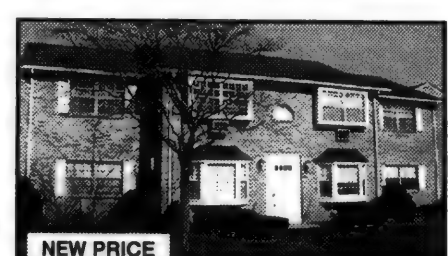
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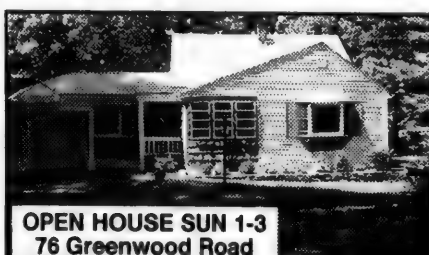


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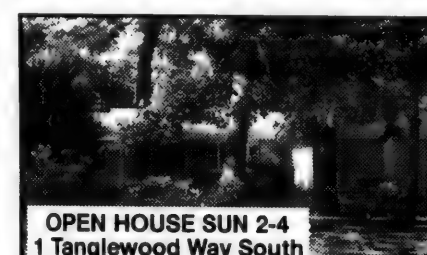


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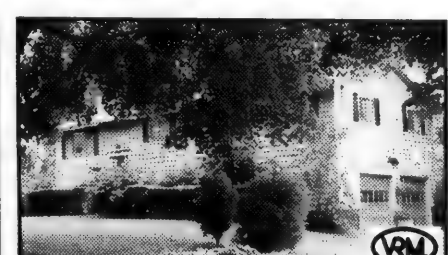
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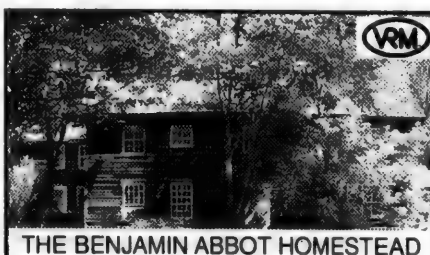
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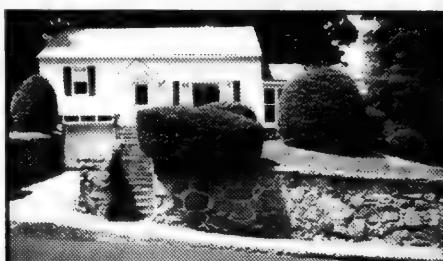
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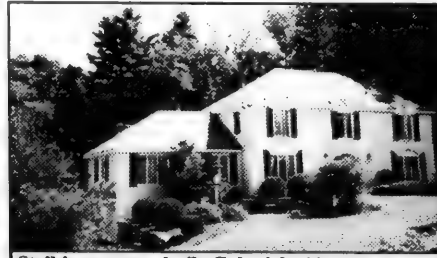
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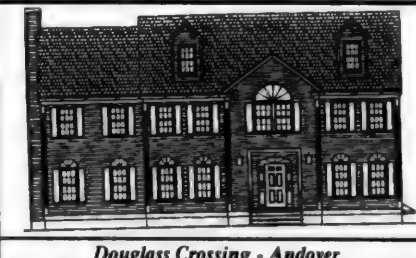


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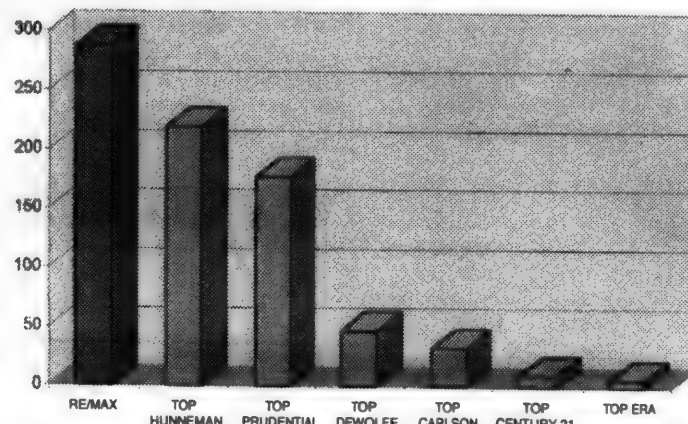
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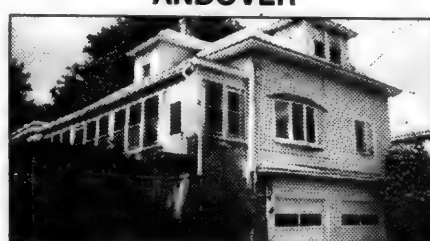
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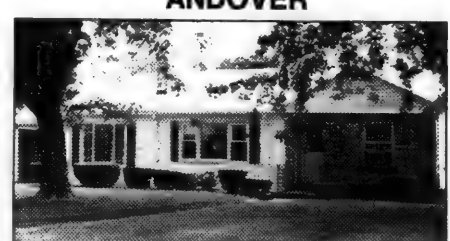
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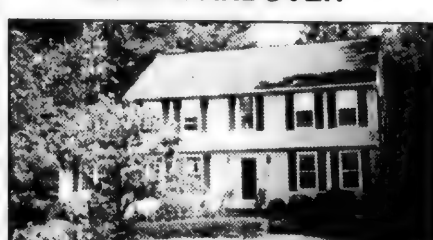
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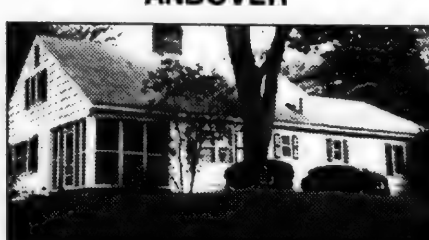
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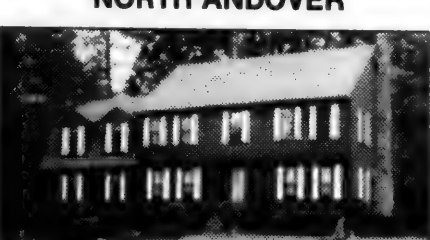
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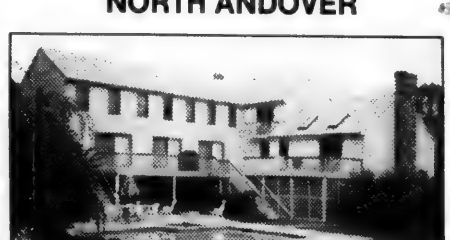
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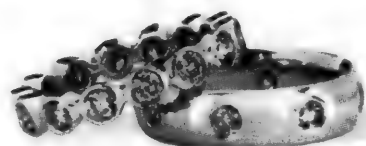
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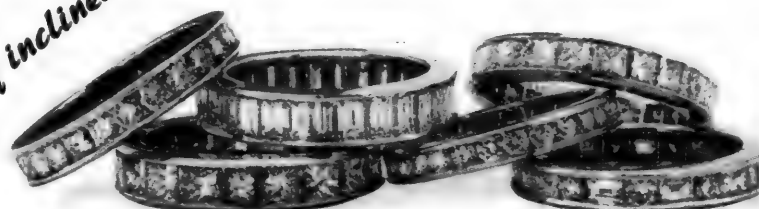
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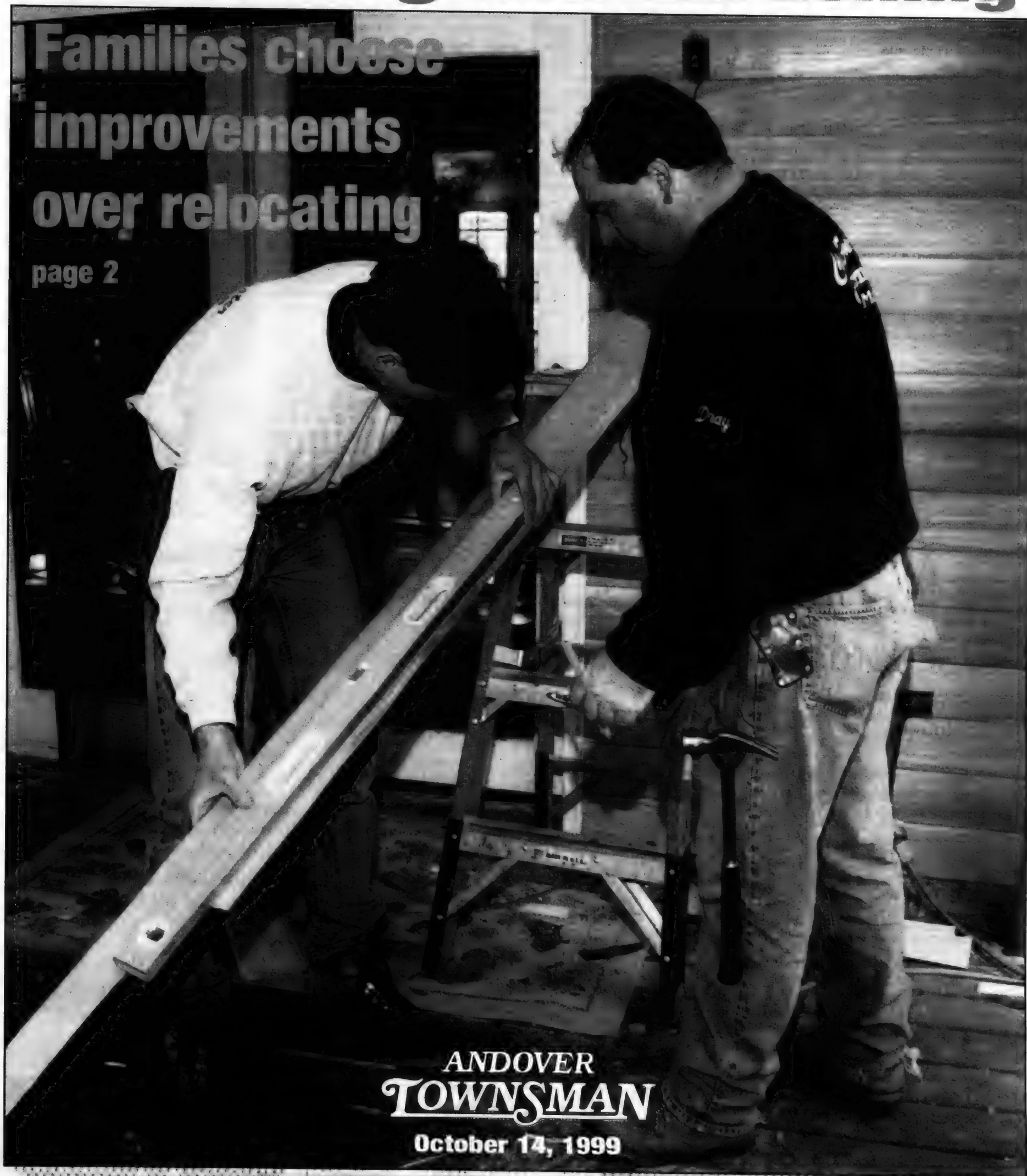
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Young families choose improvements over relocating

By Jennifer Valeri

People are expanding. Their homes, that is.

Steven Cote of Cote and Foster Construction in Methuen said home renovations, mostly higher-end projects, are thriving in the construction business.

"That is really the bulk of our business," he said. "People are comfortable where they are and they are making the changes that they want."

What is more surprising is the people making these home improvements. While there is a vast age range in people seeking home improvements, Mr. Cote said a large majority of his clients are fairly new homeowners, between the ages of 30 and 40.

"A lot of times it's younger couples," he said. "People who have been in their house for four or five years, they are comfortable there. And they have built up equity and that's how they do it."

John Janowski of Christian Builders said he, too, sees many young couples searching to improve and expand their existing homes.

"I would say 90 percent of our business is young families," he said, "people who are in their mid 30s to 40s, have growing families and want their homes to work for their family."

Mr. Janowski said he sees the

remodeling business booming for a variety of reasons. First, land is at a minimum. Couples would rather add to the home they have than search for a new home in a new location, possibly even in new school system. They look to add a few amenities and improve on their existing home. Also, financially, Mr. Janowski said banks are much more willing to give a home equity loan, rather than a new mortgage.

While many of his clients are looking to upgrade a home that might be 20 to 30 years old, some are improving homes that are only two or three years old.

"When you buy a 5000 or 6000 square-foot home," said Mr. Janowski, "it is difficult to plan or even understand all of the things you want. They contact us afterwards. They feel they need just a little more, that they are missing just a few of the things that make it unique to them."

Mr. Cote recently completed a project in Wellesley for a young couple who purchased their second home. The higher-end renovations brought the value of the home from \$600,000 to close to \$1 million. It was the second project Cote and Foster completed for the couple. They remodeled the couple's first home just four years earlier. For the second home, the couple selected higher-end cabinets valued at close to \$50,000 and countertops costing

another \$10,000. Nearly one-third of the home was "gutted", and bathrooms and kitchens were added.

One cluster of projects Cote and Foster is working on is focused on the seacoast. Former summer camps, in places such as Salisbury, are being transformed into year-round homes, with heating systems either being upgraded or, in some cases, installed. Some of these same homes are being raised and having new foundations poured.

"The homes are 50 to 70 years old," said Mr. Cote. "Sometimes, it is adding a second level onto older ranches, and with that comes the bedroom, bathroom, maybe a master suite."

Not all of construction projects are as expansive. Smaller remodeling projects include adding or expanding decks or people looking to remodel kitchens after 15 or 20 years to upgrade the quality.

Some customers call contractors with only a general idea of what they'd like, while others have plans in hand and are looking for someone to carry those plans out.

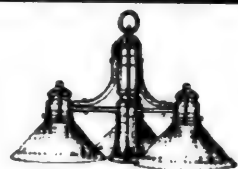
"Sometimes we offered a little guidance and our opinions," he said. "After 16 years in business, we are able to guide our customers a little better. But other times people come to us knowing what they want and we do the

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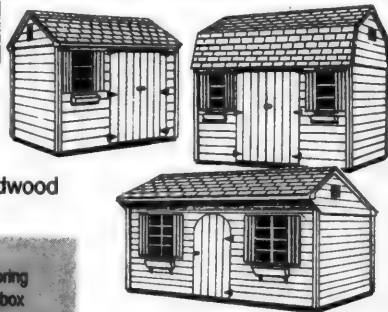
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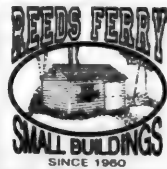
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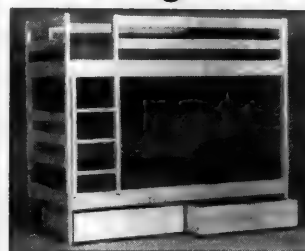


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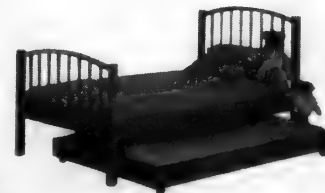
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The bottom line

The average cost of most home renovations ranges from \$70,000 to \$140,000, depending on the scope of the project. Adding bathrooms and kitchens can increase the cost greatly.

But as the economy booms, so goes the construction market. According to the National Association of Home Builders, 1999 looks to be a banner year. Sales of new homes are increasing, along with the cost of new homes.

Nationally, the cost of purchasing a new home is rising at a rate of about \$4,000 a year. As of 1998, the average cost of a new home was \$181,900. However, that cost is significantly greater in the Northeast. According to ask.com, the average home price in Boston, Mass. is \$340,410.

Open space is in

As for what these new additions look like, Mr. Cote said there aren't too many trends. "I don't see a lot of contemporary," he said. "It's a lot more colonial style. More windows. People are opening the area up, with wide open spaces. I do a lot of taking down partitions. People are getting away from that chopped up look of houses and getting into opening up rooms. I don't think I put any partitions in; I

take them out."

Hardwood floors are popular in kitchen remodeling and for the rest of the home, people are seeking custom built-in features, such as an entertainment center built into the wall or shelving built into kitchens or bedrooms.

Mr. Janowski said he sees people wanting more open space, especially in the family room and kitchen areas. Many expansions he is involved in connect the kitchen to a larger breakfast nook, with a way to see into the family room. The open space is then divided more by furniture, such as a kitchen table or television area, than by walls.

"People like to be with their family," he said. "They want people around them. It is hard to entertain people in a small kitchen and everyone meets in the kitchen." Style-wise, he sees more people looking to clean, contemporary lines and adding more light. "Pendant lighting is big," he said. "The lights hang off a wire, almost like track lighting."

A monorail style of lighting is also becoming popular. This form of track lighting features a pole, as thin as a licorice stick, said Mr. Janowski. Small lights, nearly golf-ball sized, hang off the poles. The reflection not only illuminates the room, but adds a prism effect on the ceiling.

Kitchens, he said, seem to be the place people are spending money. "Our

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clientele in Andover are looking for gourmet kitchens," he said. "They want six-burner gas ranges, two dishwashers in one kitchen, sub-zero refrigerators, wine coolers right in the kitchen. Five years ago, we would only see that in a commercial setting."

Technology is also making a difference in the home improvement business. Mr. Janowski recently completed renovations in a home that included networking the home, comparable to networking an office. Using the cable system, all computers in the home are linked to allow someone in the family room to play games with or share work with someone in a bedroom or the kitchen.

"It really is a hot, hot item," he said. "I think we're just scratching the surface at this juncture."

Money issues

While remodeling is in demand, Mr. Cote said the cost of any construction is rising greatly.

"The cost of remodeling has gone up dramatically," said Mr. Cote, "but that's because the price of materials has gone through the roof. But the economy is good. I don't think I've ever seen it this good."

Another change in the business is the attitude of customers. "People don't want to just get by," said Mr. Cote. "They want the quality materials and they are willing to spend the money."

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**John Janowski
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Decks, he said, are one area where he sees this trend. "People want cedar or mahogany decks, not the old pressure-treated wood," he said. "This summer, I think I did only two or three pressure-treated, and the rest were cedar or mahogany."

The cost of lumber is rising, according to the National Association of Home Builders. For a 2,000-square foot home, the average cost of lumber alone was \$10,000. The NAHB points to environmental conditions and restrictions in the Pacific Northwest as the cause of the decrease in available timber and the rise in prices.

Mr. Cote said he sees no downswing in home remodeling, however. Just a few years ago, the business expanded to include framing for new homes. Since then, Mr. Cote has framed only once home, subcontracting the other work, while he addresses the remodeling projects.

"It's excellent," he said. "Remodeling has just gone through the roof."

Things to do in and around the house

HouseNet.com offers monthly tips for what homeowners should do in and around the home to prepare for the seasons.

The following is the list of suggestions for October, November and December.

October

- Store air conditioners. As much as we hate to admit it, the warm weather is over. Remove all air conditioners from windows and store them in a dry place. Cover any unit that can't be removed.

- Reset programmable thermostats. Change the batteries and set the thermostat for your schedule.

- Clean the yard. This is the time to remove all the leaves, twigs and perhaps even fallen branches from the yard area. Trim perennials and replant if necessary. Fertilize the garden beds and mulch the area to ensure some protection during the winter months.

- Winterize any power-equipment, such as lawn mowers, snow blowers and any other outdoor equipment. Drain oil and refill. Clean the mower of any debris or dirt, and make sure the snow thrower is ready for the impending season change.

- Drain the outdoor faucet. This will help to keep the pipes from freezing. Turn the water off inside, while allowing the outside faucet to drain.

November

- Get the fireplace ready. Break up any wood or kindling you might have outdoors. Clean the fireplace area and place a fireproof throw rug near the fireplace to prevent sparks from scorching the floor or other carpeting.

- Oil the garage door. Once the frost hits, moving parts move a little slower. Apply 20-weight oil to hinges of a sectional door. On a manual swing door, apply a lightweight grease on the hinges and any other moving parts.

December

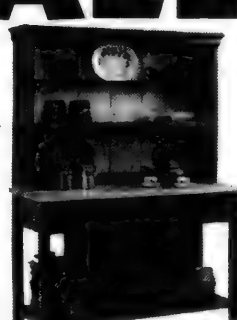
- Compile a homeowner's journal. Fill a box or book with all the household information, such as financial papers, bank accounts, car records, insurance policies and school and medical records. Also include a file of home improvements. Tracking materials, colors, decorating details and product warranties will help you with upkeep.

- Inspect holiday lights. Check all of your decorative lights and extension cords. Replace anything that is frayed or damaged.

- Prevent frozen pipes. Insulate any pipes that are exposed to winds. Many insulations now snap around pipes, including aluminum-backed foam, fiberglass wrap or closed-cell polyethylene foam.

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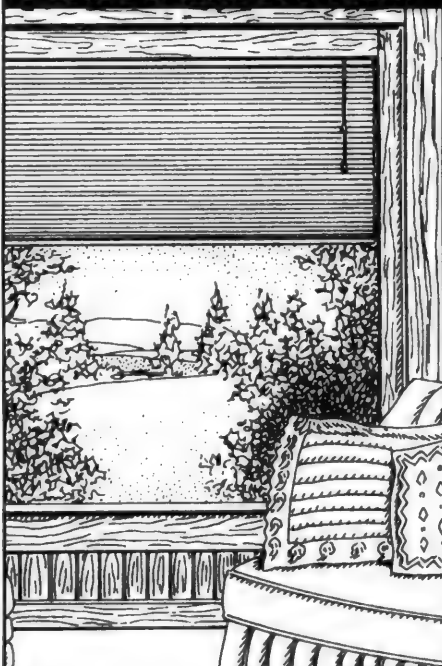
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1. My unit runs just fine, why should I pay to have someone service it?

There are several reasons/ A seasonal check helps identify potential issues that could cause problems during the winter months ahead. In addition, a lack of maintenance on your equipment can void your warranties.

Regular maintenance also ensures you receive the best efficiency (energy savings) and reliability from your equipment.

2. What should I look for in a service department?

First and foremost, the company you choose should have a service department that is separate from installation. Otherwise, you may be forced to wait for repairs for weeks while more profitable installations are being handled.

The service department you select should provide the following:

- Separate service and installation departments
- 24-hour emergency service
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These considerations become most important should an emergency occur after normal business hours.

3. Isn't price the most important factor in choosing a contractor?

A quality, established dealer has access to many resources to aid in the design, installation and servicing of your system. These resources allow the dealer to customize a total comfort system for your family. One way to determine how well a dealer stands behind his work is to look at the labor warranty. It should match the part warranty on equipment.

The best contractors will send out a professional representative of the company to perform a complete home survey. This is a fact gathering visit that would include measuring the rooms, windows and the insulation in the walls, attic and basement. It should also include a brief interview to identify your lifestyle requirements and any unusual factors to consider in design, such as medical issues.

Other important considerations when choosing a dealer are insurance, licensing, manufacturer's rating and professional memberships. Climate Design Systems, for example, is fully insured and licensed and maintains memberships in the Better Business Bureau, Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc. and the Air

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Conditioning Contractors of America, among others. The company has also earned a D 5 status from Lennox — the highest attainable rating.

You may also wish to consider visiting a dealer's facility to determine capabilities before making a decision. At Climate Design Systems, for instance, a visitor would note an in-house sheet metal shop, enabling custom fabrication of ductwork; and crews composed of installers, sheet metal fabricators, plumbers, pipefitters, electricians and service technicians. The more services a dealer can provide in-house, the more options become available for your home.

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The scope of work can differ from one estimate to the next. Circulators, expansion tank, relays and wiring, as examples, may or may not be included. The type of company can dictate price as well. It is better to look for a company with separate service and installation departments. They will be able to respond quickly with trained technicians. If the same person who installs the boiler has to answer the phone, sweep the workshop and repair the equipment, it is a good bet service will be poor.

5. Why should I choose a higher-priced brand? Aren't they all the same?

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Question: I have a concrete driveway and I'm confused as to whether I need to use a sealer. I've heard both pro and con on this subject. What's your opinion?

Answer: Driveway sealants are a controversial topic in many areas of the country, primarily because they are often used by traveling bunco artists to bilk unsuspecting homeowners out of thousands of dollars. In many cases, a sealer simply isn't needed, no matter how clever or persuasive the sales pitch.

But mass hysteria aside, driveway sealants do serve a purpose in some situations. They are often required when new concrete is poured in late autumn. In this instance, a sealant keeps water from entering the slab and popping the surface with the first deep freeze.

Ironically, the more years a driveway goes without a sealant, the less it is likely to need one. The reason is that normal surface grime from dirt, car tires and, yes, oil spills help seal the concrete. If yours is a relatively new drive, or if you've noticed unusual surface degradation, then a sealant is probably in order. That is especially true if your drive has a rough surface that has been finished with a broom.

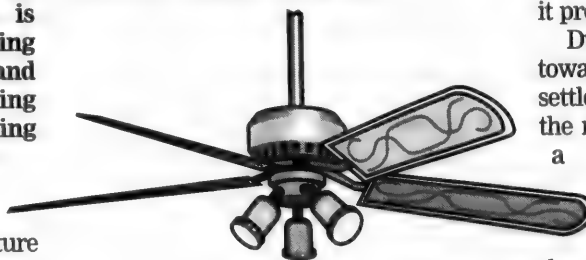
Question: We have hot water

baseboard heat and we get a constant knocking at both ends of the baseboard units when the heat is coming up and also when it's going down. Our house has upper and lower levels and a two-level heating system. Do you know what's causing this noise and how to eliminate it?

Answer: All piping materials expand and contract with temperature changes. A 50-foot length of copper pipe, any diameter, will expand in length more than one-half inch when the water inside is raised from 70 degrees Fahrenheit to 170 F (typical for a baseboard heater). This expansion can strain joints and cause leaks. It can also make elements bind against radiator covers and jam risers against floor holes, causing noise. Even when provisions are made during installation to absorb this expansion, some noise may still come from the baseboard units.

The noise is probably caused by the heat distribution pipes or connecting fins rubbing on their support brackets as the pipes expand when the heat is coming up and as they contract when the heat is going down. This noise can usually be eliminated or reduced by inserting foam rubber pads between the baseboard support brackets and the connector fins or distribution pipe, whichever is being supported. When inserting the pads, gently lift the heating pipes or fins. If you apply too

much pressure, you can strain pipe joints and possibly crack them.



Question: We have a two-story, contemporary home with a ceiling fan downstairs in the living room and another upstairs in the loft area. In the summer, we open the windows in the loft above the fan and run both fans so they blow air up and out the windows. In the winter, we run the fans down so they blow the warm air from the second floor down to the first floor. Recently I was told this is not the correct way to use the fans. Is it?

Answer: A ceiling fan is not intended to be used as a whole-house fan which is how you are using it during the summer. Whole-house fans are very effective, and if that's what you want, you should use a fan that is designed for that purpose.

Ceiling fans are designed to circulate air in a "closed" environment and should force air down during the summer. The downward airflow cools

your skin as it moves over it. During the winter months, the fan should rotate so it produces an upward airflow.

During the winter, heated air rises toward the ceiling, and the cooled air settles toward the floor. Depending on the room size and shape, there could be a 15-degree difference between the floor and ceiling. Intuitively, people want the fan to pull warmer ceiling air down during the winter and vice versa during the summer.

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Question: The outside of my home is covered with wood-grain aluminum siding. In a few areas, the bottom edges of the siding have developed a white chalk-like substance. What is it, can I prevent it from spreading and how do I remove it?

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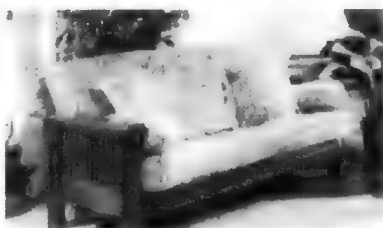
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Answer: The chalky substance is a layer of dead paint pigments along the bottom edges of the siding. It is not aluminum corrosion.

Over time, the siding's paint weathers, developing a dead pigment layer on the surface. Particles of dead paint are washed off by rain and accumulate along the siding's bottom edges.

Wash the siding periodically with a solution of one-third-cup detergent, two-thirds-cup tri-phosphate (such as Soilax), 1 quart Clorox and 3 quarts of warm water.

Since the baked-on paint systems used on aluminum siding are somewhat similar to automotive finishes, dull finishes exposed to severe weathering can be protected with an automotive wax.

Question: The concrete basement walls in our home are disfigured by large, rough pores, from marks and tie rod holes. How can I smooth them?

Answer: First, remove all loose particles from honeycomb pockets and strike off projections with a cold chisel and mallet. Snap off form ties left in the wall. Be sure to wear eye protection.

Next, smooth rough areas with a wire brush or carborundum stone. Then

use a trowel to apply a thin coat of vinyl cement mix. After applying the trowel coat, float the surface with a square mason's trowel.

Question: I have a painted concrete block retaining wall on the property line with my neighbor. When it rains, excess moisture forms a white powder on the wall, and its paint flakes off. How can I treat my side of the wall to stop the moisture seepage and prevent the paint from flaking? We were advised to tar the wall's back. Drains were installed at the wall's base, but the clay in the soil seems to prevent the water from seeping down to the drains.

Answer: The white powder on the wall is a mineral deposit that forms when the water carrying the minerals evaporates. To prevent this, and stop the paint from peeling, you must stop the water from seeping through the wall by installing better drainage. Treating your side of the wall won't stop the problem.

You are correct in saying that the clay in the soil prevents the water from reaching the drain. Soil with a high clay content does not drain well. This soil should be evacuated from behind the wall and replaced with gravel. A perforated drain pipe should be installed and water will percolate through to the pipe. It is important that the pipe have a free-flowing outlet, to

allow the accumulated water to drain.

Do not simply tar the wall's back and then backfill with the same soil — the tar will seal the wall and prevent the water in the soil from escaping to the outside. If the water builds up, it can exert enough pressure on the wall to crack it or heave it.

Question: A few years ago, we bought a house that got water in the lower level with every heavy rain. We solved this by adding extensive landscaping, putting the drain tile along the foundation and reworking the sump pumps. We even installed a generator to keep the sump pumps going when the power goes out. I'd like to install an alarm for stormy nights that would wake us if the power goes out, so we can turn on the generator. Do you know of such a device?

Answer: We suggest you contact the Heath Co., P.O. Box 8589, Benton Harbor, MI 49022. This company sells a battery-operated device called the Floodwatch. The device sounds an alarm when it comes in contact with water. You can install it in a bracket in the sump pit. If the sump pit is not operating because the power is out, water in the pit will rise above the point where the sump pump would normally turn on and trigger the alarm. Its part number is GD-3660, and it costs about \$20.

Question: How do I repair pitting and scaling caused by de-icing salts on my concrete garage floor?

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If you plan to fill the damaged areas only, clean them thoroughly to remove the dirt and salt residue. Break away any unsound concrete in and around spalled areas. If you wish to overlay a new surface, first etch the old surface with a solution of 1 part muriatic acid to 4 parts water. Or you can create a suitable bonding texture by using a sacrificialer, grit blaster, scabber, planer or flame cleaner. These tools can usually be rented.

Soak the old surface overnight. When you are ready to pour the overlay, broom on a bonding grout — a creamy mixture of portland cement, fine sand and water. Follow the grout immediately with concrete mixed in proportions of 1 part portland cement, 1 part sand, one-and-one-half to 2 parts three-eighths-inch aggregate and no more than 5-and-one-half gallons of water per bag of cement. Cure the new overlay by keeping it damp and covering it with plastic or burlap for seven days.

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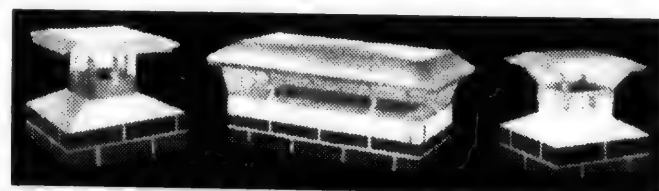
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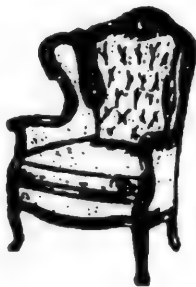


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Clues about clapboard

By Popular Mechanics
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Maintaining an old house's original wood clapboards is one of the major components of a successful restoration. It's usually not a difficult thing to do. In most cases, you should be able to make spot repairs or replace damaged boards for the end result of a unified period exterior.

As you can imagine, the common problem with lots of old clapboard is that it tends to split and crack over time. If the split or crack is small, often restorers simply glue the board back together again, without causing much disturbance to the rest of the side. Use a good waterproof glue, then clamp the split together until it dries. You can do this by driving nails below the lower edge of the damaged board, turning them up so they brace the pieces together. Small wood blocks secured with a nail or two will do the same thing. Be careful the nails don't split the siding.

If you find boards that are damaged beyond repair, spots where warping, rot and the weather have taken their toll on old wood, you can usually cut out the bad piece and replace it with a freshly milled clapboard.

Use a hacksaw to cut out the freshly damaged section. Angle it carefully while you work to avoid cutting the siding below. After the board is cut, a sharp hammer and chisel is usually all that's needed to remove pieces of the damaged wood. Chances are the board is nailed to

the one above it. If the nail is visible from the surface, try to pull it out. If not, you'll have to insert small wooden wedges or a screwdriver up under the siding to pry it out slightly to cut the nails with a hacksaw.

If you must start from scratch and re-side an old (or new) house with clapboard, the following installation tips and techniques will guide you.

Traditionally, most beveled clapboards were layered from the bottom up. It's still the preferred way to side today. The historic way the hand-rived boards were secured to the structure is also the one that those milling riftsawn clapboards today recommend: nailing through two courses. Spaced less than an inch above the butt of the clapboard, the nails also penetrate the top of the board in the course below. Because of vertical-grain clapboard's limited expansion and contraction, this is the best way to install this type of siding. We recommend 5d galvanized wire box nails. Its thin shank, of course, prevents the wood from splitting.

If you are working only on one side of the house, then you should have the exposure on your new clapboards match that on the other sides of the house. The exposure on a clapboard is the part of the board that's visible after it's nailed down. Since a 1-inch to 1-and-one-half-inch lap is necessary on most traditional clapboards to keep them weathertight, you'll generally find about 3-inch exposure on 4-and-one-half-inch-wide boards and 4-inch exposure on 5-inch ones.

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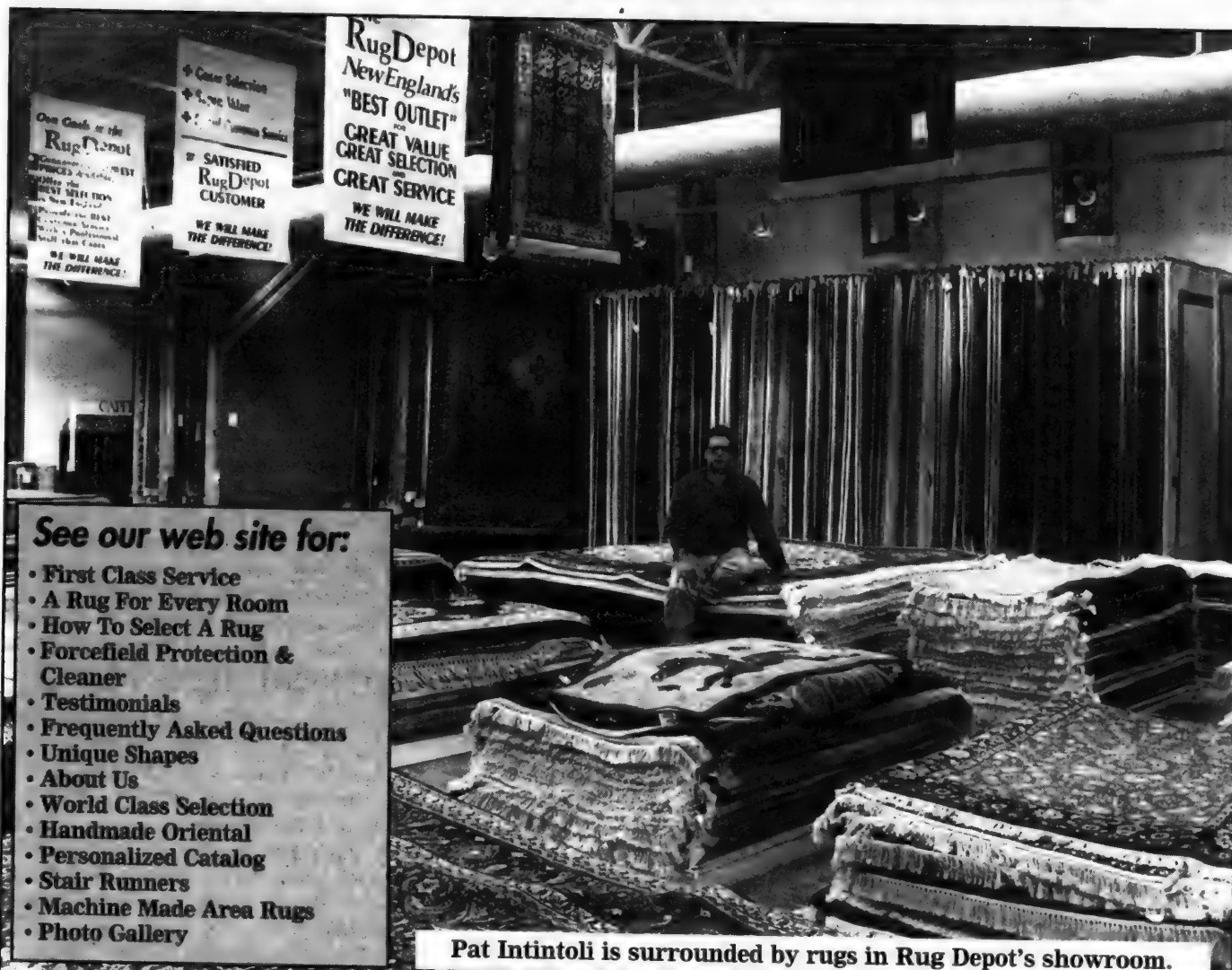
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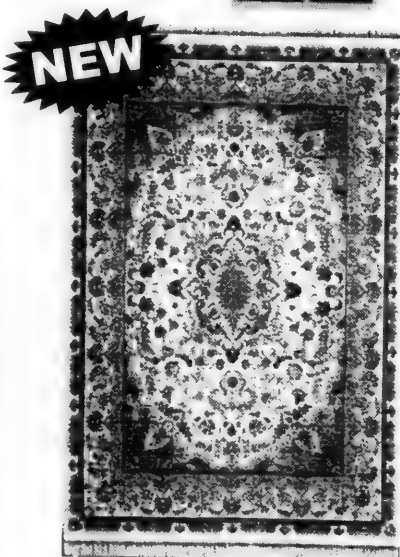


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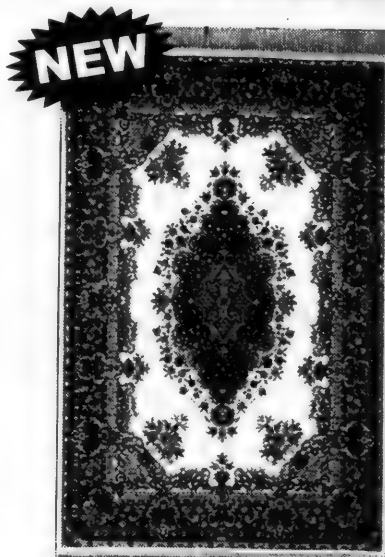


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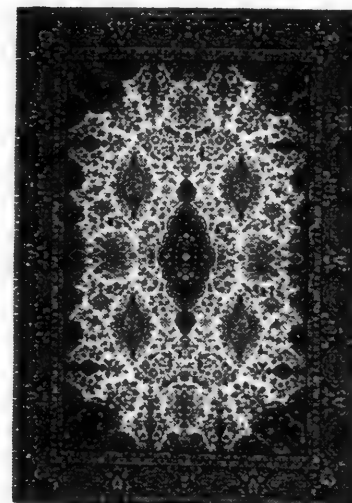
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Tips for solving minor home problems

By Popular Mechanics
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The big difference between someone who's really handy around the home and shop and one who is not lies in knowing how to solve minor problems quickly and effectively. Here are tips that can help you out of a tight spot.

1. Need to bore a hole in wood for which you do not have the correct diameter spade bit? You can easily make one from the next larger size bit. Adjust the tool rest on a bench grinder to maintain the same angle as the edge of the bit. Carefully align marking tapes on the bit to guide the grinding. Grind slowly, taking a little off each side and taking care not to overheat the bit and drawing the temper from the steel. When it gets hot to the touch, dip it in water to cool it. Bore trial holes in scrap wood to check progress and get a perfect fit.

2. When nailing from the side opposite a finished surface, don't pick nails directly out of the box. All too often, over- and undersized nails will be mixed in with those of proper size even in a brand new box. An oversize nail could break through the good surface. Spread a few nails on your workbench and then select the good ones from among them. Wrong sizes, uncut points and other defects will show up. In a random sampling, we found five out of 13 from one box were oversize or defective.

3. Drawing a straight line parallel to the edge of a board without having the pencil slip becomes simple if you file a tiny nick in the blade edge of your combination square. File the V-notch in the center of the blade end just deep enough to keep the pencil point from slipping as you move the square along the board. When marking, hold the

pencil at an angle with the point leaning towards the square. Keep it steady because changing the angle will cause the line to waver.

4. Spreading glue can be messy work. Plastic applicators designed to apply auto body filler make it easy and neat. They spread wood glue over wide areas quickly. The feathered edge lays on glue smoothly. What's more, cleanup is literally a snap. Let the glue dry on the applicator and then flex it to pop off the hardened glue. Auto stores sell these applicators in sets of three for about \$2.

5. When sharpening the teeth of a hand or circular saw blade, smoke them with a candle. Pass the flame quickly along the edge of the blade so the smoke blackens the teeth. Do not pause in any one place to avoid overheating and possibly drawing the temper from the steel. As you file each

tooth, the contrast between shiny and smoked steel shows your progress.

6. Boring a hole exactly where you want it in a piece of wood requires a lot of blowing to keep chips from obscuring your guide marks. Save your breath and make a fan to blow them away when using either a hand or power drill. A 4-inch strip of 2-inch-wide masking tape folded over so it sticks to itself with the drill bit in the center does the job. Locate the fan on the drill bit so it clears the work surface by about one-half-inch at maximum hole depth.

7. If you have to mark very soft wood like clear pine, cedar or redwood, you can avoid having to sand out places where pencil marks crushed the surface fibers by using soft chalk instead. Then, a damp cloth removes the marks for final finishing and there are no dents in the soft surface to show through the paint or stain.

American Lung Association offers clean air tips for a healthier home

PRNewswire - High efficiency filters not only protect the furnace, but also capture more pollen, pet dander, smoke and other allergens than standard fiberglass filters. Yet, according to a recent American Lung Association survey, less than one in eight homeowners purchases a high efficiency filter for their furnace.

Using high efficiency furnace filters

is one of dozens of clean air tips included by the American Lung Association in "A Guide for Creating a Healthier Home." This booklet - created as part of an ongoing indoor air quality partnership between the American Lung Association's Health House Project and 3M - can be obtained free-of-charge by calling 800-388-3458.

A well-maintained furnace can help

save money on energy bills (especially during the fall and winter months). And, by using a high efficiency filter in your furnace, you improve air quality in the home as well.

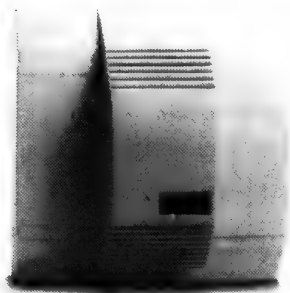
To ensure the furnace is operating at peak efficiency, follow these tips, courtesy of heating and ventilation experts at the American Lung Association's Health House Project:

- Use a carbon monoxide detector in the home. It will alert you if lethal fumes begin escaping from your gas furnace and poisoning the air you breathe.

- Make sure the gas furnace is properly lit with a steady blue pilot flame. If the pilot light goes out - or if it's burning with a yellow or orange

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It also means an end to dangerous water transfers from stove to sink, thanks to the effortless, push-of-a-button drain. Other benefits include an improved kitchen workspace and healthful, water-based cooking.

There are two versions of this revolutionary sink. The PRO CookCenter features a cooking sink joined to the traditional kitchen basin (as pictured). The PRO CookSink is a standalone vessel ideally positioned near a stovetop, serving as a "fifth burner."

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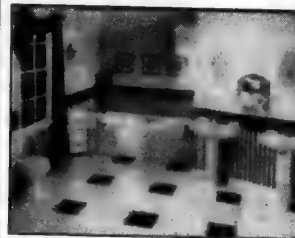
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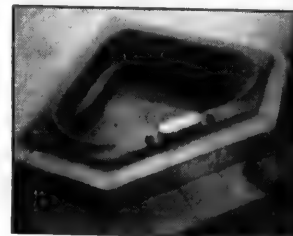
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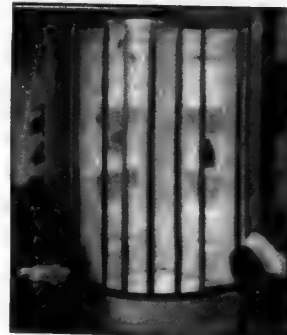
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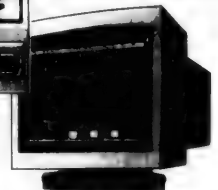


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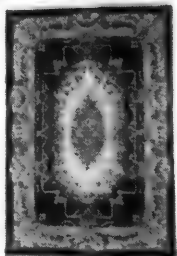
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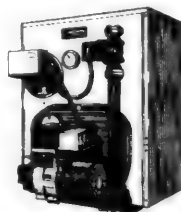
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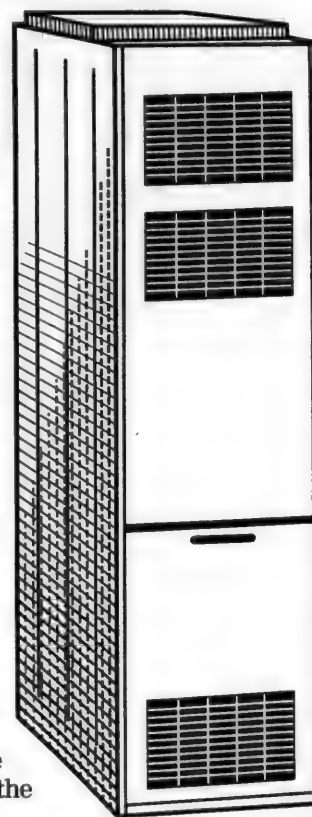
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PRNewswire - Your hardwood floors are beautiful, but what about your stairs? Are they covered with dingy carpet? Is the exposed wood worn and tired? If so, take heart. Reviving a staircase is easy if you take it step by step.

First, assess the state of your stairs. If you're lucky enough to find hardwood under the carpet, you or a professional floor refinisher can sand and refinish it to give it new life. If not, a new hardwood staircase can be installed and stained to match the finish of your floors.

Either way, your efforts will pay off. A hardwood staircase, like hardwood flooring, adds character, beauty, and resale value to any home, according to the Hardwood Information Center. And the durability of hardwood is a real plus when it comes to stairs.

"You're talking about something that's going to take a beating, something kids might be running up and down," says Dale Mitchell, president of Custom Hardwoods, a supplier of stair parts and fully assembled staircases, based in Sycamore, Ill. "Hardwood is going to

hold up and not show nicks and dings."

"More and more people are spending money on their staircase," Mitchell says. "It's the focal point of many homes. You walk in, and - bang! - it's there."

Mitchell estimates installing an elaborate, curved staircase (think "Gone with the Wind") could cost as much as \$20,000. But a more typical straight staircase might be closer to \$6,000, he says.

Homeowners can save by ordering stair kits and installing the steps themselves. But Mitchell says only those with some carpentry experience should tackle the job. Others are better off hiring carpenters or stair builders, he says.

If your wood stairs need a facelift, start by checking for any needed repairs. Squeaks, a common problem, are often caused by loose or rubbing parts. Stop the squeak by nailing or screwing down a part that has separated or by inserting a wedge underneath it.

Sanding and refinishing stairs requires special equipment and a lot of

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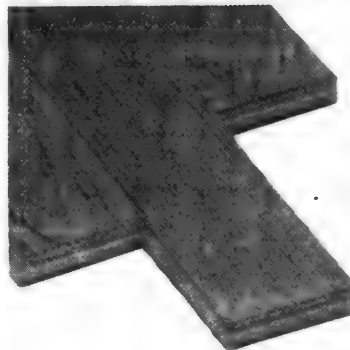
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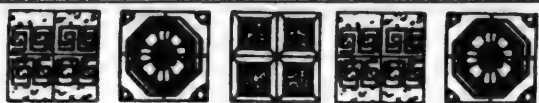
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patience.

"It's not hard. A homeowner can do it," says Danny Krienke, a partner in Floors Etcetera Inc., a hardwood floor installer and restorer in Houston. "It's going to take some time, though."

Floor refinishing companies typically get most of the job done in a day. If you decide to do it yourself, rent a floor edger sanding machine.

Run the sander over the steps. For rough or painted boards, start with 20- or 30-grit sandpaper, then proceed with 50-grit and finally 80-grit. Start with 36-grit paper for varnished floors. Next use a hand-scraper on the spots the sander missed and, if desired, hand-sand with fine paper to remove small scratches. Vacuum to remove the dust. Stain with a clear finish or one custom-blended to match your floors. For a final protective glaze, top that with three coats of polyurethane, which is available with a water or oil base.

"Everybody likes the look of oil," says Chris Eads, owner of Above All Floor Refinishing in Bloomington, Ind. "It brings out the grain."

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Each coat of oil-based polyurethane must dry overnight. Water-based sealers usually dry within a couple of hours and are safer to handle.

Take some precautions to avoid trouble. Sanding produces highly flammable dust, so seal the doorways into your work area with plastic and ventilate the area with a fan. Wear goggles, ear protection and a dust mask while sanding. When applying the sealer, put on goggles, rubber gloves, long pants and a long-sleeve shirt. Eads asks homeowners to avoid fumes altogether by staying somewhere else for a night while the first coat of oil-based polyurethane dries.

Once the stairs are restored, consider having a carpet company install a runner to add style and provide padding and protection. To keep stairs free of dust, wipe with a cloth or use a dust-mop or hand-vacuum. One way to remove caked-on grime from a handrail is to lightly rub with very fine screen sandpaper and top with a new coat of varnish.

Free information on selecting and caring for solid hardwood is available from the Hardwood Information Center, 400 Penn Center Boulevard, Suite 530, Dept. PRN-599, Pittsburgh, PA 15235. Call 1-800-373-WOOD or visit them on the web at www.hardwood.org

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Interior design use varies by life stage

What drives a homeowner to use an interior design consultant? According to research conducted for the American Society of Interior Designers, it's the ability to have a trained professional understand the homeowners' needs and the expertise to deliver within their budget.

"The research shows we not only have to listen carefully to our clients' wants and needs, we also have to demonstrate that we understand them throughout the design process and with the end result," said Linda Kay DeMartini, ASID, principal at Kay Designs in Burlingame, Calif.

But, who's more likely to hire an interior design consultant? The research also shows that a homeowner's stage in life factors into the decision. Those aged 55 and older are nearly twice as likely to have used an interior design consultant than those in the early (18 to 34) and middle (35 to 54) life stages.

"In many ways, seniors are older and wiser," said David Kaplan Jr., vice president of Beacon Hill Showrooms, a division of Lifestyle Furnishings International. "As such, homeowners in the older life stage are more likely to know what they want to accomplish with renovation projects and to recognize the value of working with an interior designer who can consult with them and guide them through the process."

Early and middle life stage



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homeowners often expect to move in the future, and want their renovation or remodeling project to offer a pay back at resale. "When they make big-ticket purchases in which pay back isn't a major factor, they tend to focus on things they can take with them to their next home, such as furniture, rugs or art," said Marcello Luzi, ASID, president of Weixler, Peterson and Luzi, a design firm in Philadelphia.

No matter what the age, ASID research shows that homeowners who use an interior design consultant's services are happier with the results - even if they did some of the work themselves - than those who did the project alone. (NUT)

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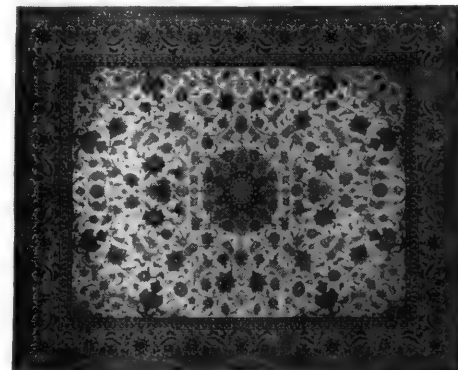
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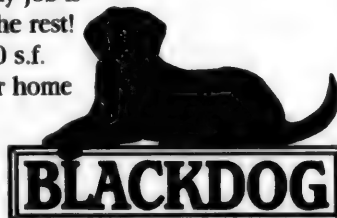
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Security system basics

Chances are you or someone you know has been burglarized, which accounts for the dramatic increase in the installation of home security systems.

How do these systems keep your home safe? A good standard system is your first line of defense.

According to the National Burglar & Fire Alarm Association (NBFAA), here are a few basic components found in some home security systems:

Closed-circuit TV – A private television system that lets you monitor and/or record inside or outside.

Monitoring – A home security system should be connected to a 24-hour central monitoring station.

Emergency signals from your home are electronically transmitted to the monitoring station, which immediately summons help from police, fire or rescue.

Panic buttons – Usually located next to beds or alongside doorways, or as hand-held remote units, they can be manually activated if you suspect an intruder or if an intruder tries to force entry.

Wired screens – The security system is activated if the screen is cut or the screen is removed.

For more information on how a home security system works, call NBFAA at 301-907-3203 or click on the web site <http://www.alarm.org>.

Tips on buying a security system

Burglary is big business in America. One burglary is committed every 10 seconds. That adds up to nearly 13-million homes – one out of every 20 – with an average loss of \$1,300 worth of property.

More and more Americans are turning to a home security system for the peace of mind it gives them. In fact, over the last five years, the number of homes with a security system has jumped by 40 percent.

"The value of home security systems has been proven over and over again," says President Dan Jacquish of the National Burglar & Fire Alarm Association (NBFAA).

Here are some tips in choosing a company that sells home security systems:

Call several companies, and ask if their employees are trained and/or certified by the NBFAA.

Ask if they have appropriate state and/or local licenses, if required, and if they screen employees before hiring.

When the security professional visits, ask to see company identification and for an inspection, demonstration and a price quote in writing. Ask for references.

Consider the merits of leasing vs. buying your system. (NUI)

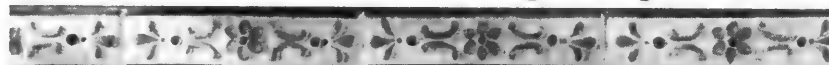


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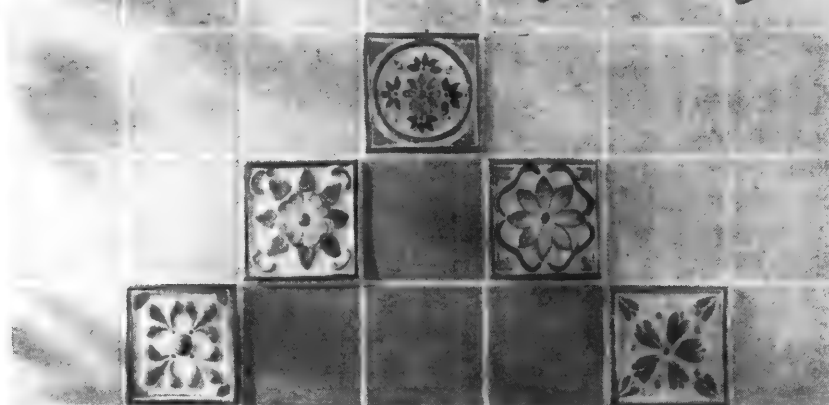
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Easy steps to help master decorative painting techniques

Bare white walls are out, say interior designers. Rich, vibrant decorative finishes are in-and designers are not the only ones having fun applying them.

With the right paint and proper tools, an amateur can transform a piece of furniture or an entire room into something extraordinary.

Mastering Fine Decorative Paint Techniques (Sharon Ross and Elise Kinkead, Creative Homeowner Press) is a comprehensive guide that teaches even the most inexperienced amateur how to master these decorative painting techniques to create stunning new looks for the home. Here are some tips from the book that are designed to help you get started.

Choosing a color for your project

There are hundreds of paint colors on the market today. How do you narrow it down to something you can live with? By choosing a color that spontaneously attracts you and draws you in. But be warned: don't choose a color because it's new and trendy. This method can backfire because after a few months you may find yourself bored with it. And remember: trendy colors do go out of style. Choose a color you really like and ask yourself a few questions. How does it make you feel? Can you live with it for a long time? Does it fit the style and purpose of your room?

Paints and glazes

High quality latex paint (100 percent acrylic resin) is best for decorative finishes.

It's highly durable, odorless, nonflammable, and cleans up easily. Most decorative painting gets its unique look with glaze, which is paint or colorant mixed with a transparent glazing medium and diluted with thinner. A glaze produces the translucent luminous finish you're striving to achieve. A good glaze should cling to surfaces without sagging or slumping and dry overnight.

Decorative paint techniques

Ready to get started? Great for not-so-perfect walls and hard-use areas like kids' rooms, sponging creates a dazzling textured surface with great visual depth ranging from delicate to bold.

But no ordinary sponge will do. You'll need a natural sea sponge, (choose the flat rather than round shape) which has an uneven surface that produces the mottled look and texture you're after. Starting with a color-coordinated base coat that is thoroughly dry, dip the dampened sponge into the glaze, and quickly and lightly pounce it up and down over the surface of the wall.

Be sure not to let the sponge slip or slide on the glaze, and apply each

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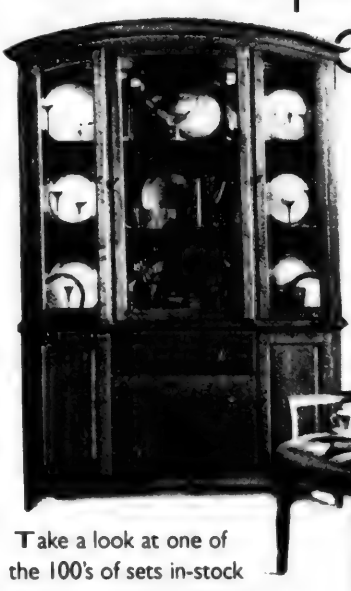
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The average single-family household in the Northeast and Midwest will respectively spend \$770 and \$640 this winter just to heat their homes, according to U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) estimates. Residents in the South and West aren't immune to the annual cold front either. They can expect to pay approximately \$300 to \$400 to keep toasty warm this winter.

"A big winter utility bill is as inevitable as death and taxes," said Tim Grether, technical services manager at Owens Corning. "However, if you make these simple energy-saving improvements this fall, you can easily trim your winter energy expenses by 10 to 30 percent without sacrificing comfort."

Add another layer of attic insulation

Heat rises. And since the majority of homes built before 1980 are under-insulated, it rises through the ceiling, past the roof and into the atmosphere because of a lack of insulation in the attic. According to the DOE, one of the easiest and most cost-effective ways to cut heating and cooling costs and make a home more comfortable is to add more insulation in the attic. As a general rule, if you have less than 12 inches of attic insulation, you probably need more.

Turn on the humidifier

It's not the heat, it's the humidity. If your furnace doesn't have a built-in humidifier, use a portable unit in frequently occupied areas such as the bedroom and living room. The additional moisture will increase the "heat index" inside your home, making 68° F feel more like 76° F. The relative humidity in the home should be between 30 to 50 percent to help avoid condensation on windows.

Warm yourself before heating the entire house

Put on a sweater before turning the thermostat dial. Each degree you raise the thermostat on your heating system increases your fuel bill by 3 percent.

Install a programmable thermostat

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American homeowners, have single-pane windows, consider replacing them with double-pane windows with a special coating on the glass that reflects heat back into the room during the winter months.

Cover the windows

If you can't afford to replace your single-pane windows, remember to use your storm windows or install a clear plastic film across the inside of your window and frame. The plastic becomes nearly invisible when you heat it with a blow dryer and is relatively inexpensive (typically \$4 to \$6 per window). The trapped pocket of air between the plastic film and window acts as an effective insulator, helping to reduce heat loss through the window by 25 to 50 percent.

Change furnace filters frequently

You can improve the energy efficiency of your heating and cooling systems by as much as 10 percent by cleaning air registers, baseboard heaters and radiators as needed and changing forced air heating system air filters monthly. An alternative to swapping out the replacement filter is to use washable filters (around \$20 each). With care, they can last up to five years.

Seal the ducts

The most logical way to stay warm is to only heat living areas, not the attic or unfinished basement. However, in many homes, the warm air generated by the furnace often escapes into the attic or

basement before it reaches its intended destination because of cracks or holes in the air ducts. As a result, the furnace works overtime to keep the rest of the house warm. Check your ducts for leaks each fall and use duct tape to repair and seal holes or sections that may have separated. If you are buying new ducts, consider a system that is already surrounded by insulation.

Plug the drafts

The exterior of your house is your first line of defense against drafts, so caulk, seal and weather-strip around all seams, cracks and openings. Pay special attention around windows and where siding or bricks and wood trim meet. You can also reduce drafts from the inside by caulking, sealing and weather-stripping around windows and door frames, and near electrical boxes and plumbing fixtures.

Close vents to guest rooms

Today's larger homes often have more rooms than family members to fill them. By closing the vents to just one spare bedroom in a five room house, you can instantly cut your heating bills by as much as 20 percent. You can always open the vents when guests visit for the holidays.

For more energy-efficiency tips, homeowners can call the DOE at 1-800-DOE-3732 to order a free, 36-page Energy Savers booklet or visit the Energy Savers Web site at:

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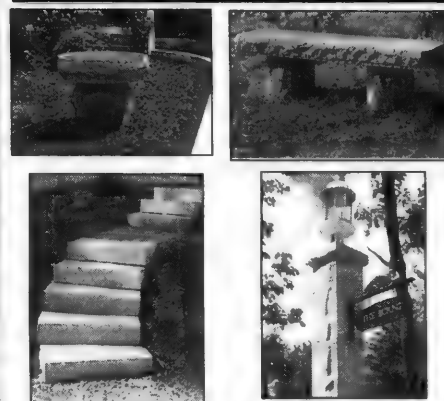


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Gardener's guide: Getting a jump on spring

By Lee Reich

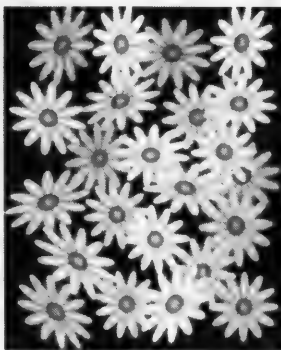
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Fall is not a season that usually inspires anyone to start a new garden, or to enlarge an existing one. But when that first sprig of green breaks through the ground next spring, then you might want to start or enlarge a garden.

So why not do it now instead, at a more leisurely pace? The soil is soft and moist and there's plenty of time for a soil test to determine if fertilizer, limestone or sulfur is needed. Soil organisms, freezing and thawing in the

coming months will mellow soil prepared now.

A heavy clay soil or one with an impervious layer below the surface benefits from a thorough digging. Just turn the soil over with a spading shovel or fork. While you are at it, mix fertilizer along with leaves, sawdust, compost or straw into the soil. These organic materials help fluff up clay soils. No need to crumble the soil at this time. It will break up by itself through



the winter, then need only a light raking in spring.

Take a few seconds to remove any tenacious weeds you encounter. Coax the taproot of thistle or dock out of the ground by pulling with one hand while using your other to lever the root up with a shovel. Follow the roots of quackgrass and other creepers along the soil surface to draw up as much of their root systems as possible.

Raised beds are ideal for soils composed of heavy clay or large boulders, or if you have an extreme aversion to digging. Just lay a mix of organic materials and soil on top of the

ground within board, brick or cinderblock enclosures. Keep the enclosures small enough so that you can reach into the beds' middles without walking in them.

If your soil is sandy, no need to dig at all. A sprinkling of fertilizer topped by a thick layer of organic mulch to smother weeds is all that is needed to start a new bed. The advantage of doing this now rather than next spring is that earthworms will have all fall and winter to chew up the organic matter and churn it into the soil below.

Once new ground has been "broken," keep an eye on the garden edges. Define them well with commercial barriers or a sharp cut in the grass. Then keep an eye out for weeds trying to sneak in later in the season.

Take care of outdoor fall clean-up now

PRNewswire - Mother Nature has definitely been wreaking unpredictable weather patterns from severe nationwide drought to multiple hurricane systems up and down the East Coast.

Before the season turns undeniably frosty and thoughts turn to indoor diversions, now is the time to prepare your lawn and garden for the rigors of old man winter.

The gardening editors at <http://www.4Gardening.com> have compiled a Fall Clean-Up Blueprint to help accomplish this task:

- Plant bulbs for spring color
- Apply top layer of compost to flower beds
- Cut down all remaining perennial

debris

- Spray Wilt Proof on new hollies to protect against winter burn - helps to retain water

- Final cultivating of compost or mulch on top of flower beds

- Last cut of grass areas - cut lower than normal

- Burlap or cover delicate plant material

- Mulch roses

- Stake driveway for snowplow - marking anything to watch for

- Bring clay pots inside

- Bring in watering hoses and make sure water is turned off inside

- Have a supply of saltmelt, sand, or kitty litter by steps that might freeze over

Easy steps to help master painting techniques

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stroke so it just touches the last one. When you need to sponge into corners, cut off a small piece of the sponge to make a flat edge and apply. You can start with an easy project, and sponge on one or two colors, and eventually work your way up to sponging on up to four colors, depending on the look and effect you're after.

There are several other decorative techniques you can use which vary in the amount of skill they require, and the results they produce.

Here is a quick overview of those techniques:

- Stippling involves pouncing a brush up and down over a glaze to produce tiny pinpoints of color, and offers a great way to antique or age furniture.

- Stenciling is a simple way to add a pattern to walls, furniture, or fabric by repeating a motif over and over again.

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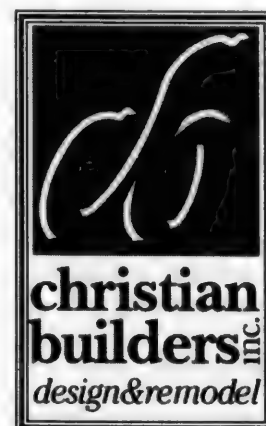
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Fall is time to plant trees and shrubs

By Lee Reich
For AP Special Features

Fall is more than a time for harvest and garden cleanup. It's also a time to plant trees and shrubs. They are available either potted or as bare-root, leafless plants. Potted plants can be set in the ground any time. Nurseries cannot dig bare-root plants until they lose their leaves.

An advantage of fall planting is that soil is usually soft and moist, not sodden as it often is in spring. Plants might even grow some new roots in the fall before the soil freezes. Fall-planted trees and shrubs are in place and ready to grow with the first breath of spring. Yet another good reason for planting in fall is that there are so many other things, such as pruning peaches and forsythias, sowing tomato and pepper seeds, and transplanting broccoli plants that must be done in spring.

Two problems, both avoidable, are associated with fall planting. The first, with evergreens, is that their leaves dryout. Anti-desiccant sprays, such as 'Wilt-Pruf,' reduce water loss when sprayed on plant leaves. The coating eventually sloughs off, so renew it periodically through winter. Keeping the soil moist around all new plants until the soil freezes also keeps the leaves plump with water.

Deciduous plants need only one thorough soaking immediately after planting unless they are in pots and still have their leaves. In this case, keep

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the soil moist until it freezes or the plants lose their leaves, whichever comes first.

A thick mulch of leaves, hay, or straw is a must for fall-planted trees and shrubs. Since roots grow whenever the soil is at a temperature above freezing, the longer soil freezing can be delayed the better established a plant can become in the fall.

Heaving of plants, caused by fluctuating soil temperatures, is the second potential problem associated with fall planting. That thick mulch just recommended to delay soil freezing also prevents wide temperature swings, takes care of this second problem and keeps new plants firmly anchored through the winter.

There is no need to delay digging holes for planting until trees and shrubs are available. Now is the time to dig the holes and amend the soil with limestone or sulfur, as needed. This is another plus to fall planting. In the spring, plants usually are available before the soil is ready to dig. In the fall, the holes can be ready to receive plants as soon as they arrive.

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Hot hues in today's wallcoverings industry

From "wasabi" to ocean blue, the buzz in today's home decorating industry is color. For wallcoverings, the new millennium calls for colors that soothe as well as communicate individualism, simplicity and spirituality.

But even as colors change - wallcoverings remain the most versatile home - decorating product, offering a unique combination of new color options and time tested patterns. So what are the latest colors and fashions expected to grace walls in the year 2000?

While the millennium is cause to celebrate, consumers are looking for soothing colors that are beautiful to the eye and restful to the soul. This finding is based on responses from 25 color experts in paint, wallcoverings, window treatments, flooring and general design who participated in Paint & Decorating Retailer's 30th annual color survey.

According to the survey, people prefer soothing colors because they offset the unsettling experience of moving forward into a new time period, as well as the current high-tech, stressed-out '90's environment. Therefore it makes sense that the most popular color is blue - in mostly oceanic shades, from deep blue to aqua. "Blues are going to be the big color story in home decorating - the comeback kid," says Jacki Calavitta,

A brief history of wallpaper

While the exact origins of wallpaper are obscure, the first decorative wallcoverings date as early as 200 B.C. The Chinese adorned rice paper panels with hand-painted with birds, flowers, religious symbols and landscapes. By the Middle Ages, the European upper-class were hanging woven tapestries to keep out cold and dampness and to add color and design to otherwise dreary dwellings. Wallpaper in a form we might recognize today, emerged when Louis XI of France ordered 50 rolls of paper painted by Jean Bourdichon in 1481. The design featured angels on a blue ground. King Louis ordered the portable wallpaper because he found it necessary to move frequently from castle to castle.

The earliest known fragment of European wallpaper was found on the beams of the Lodge of Christ's College in Cambridge, England and date from about 1509. By 1599, the use of paper as a wallcovering was widespread enough for a Guild of Paperhangers to be chartered.

The turning point for the product came in the early 1700s as Frenchman Jean-Michel Papillon, considered the inventor of wallpaper, designed wallpaper with repeating patterns. The beloved flocked variety your grandmother used throughout the house was developed at the beginning of the 18th century as a substitute for cut velvet.

Wallpaper came to America about 1739 when Plunket Fleeson began printing it in Philadelphia. By the 1800s, scenic papers printed with hand-carved blocks - some taking as many as 4,000 blocks to produce - were popular. In 1839, the British invented a four-color roller printing machine with designs hand-cut on cylinders that could print 400 rolls a day.

The Victorian Era, as one would expect, was a grand time for wallpaper featuring over-embellished designs featuring somber colors, but it was in the roaring '20s that wallpaper really took the spotlight for the first time. Known as the Golden Age of Wallpaper, some 400 million rolls were sold during that period.

After World War II, the entire industry was revolutionized with the appearance of plastic resins which offered stain resistance, washability, durability and strength. In addition, manufacturers introduced pre-pasted, pre-trimmed and strippable wallcoverings to cater to an increasing do-it-yourself market.

brand manager for Designer Brands. "We're seeing blue everywhere and in every shade, from sky blue all the way to cobalt and navy."

Overall, experts predict that light to mid tones of blue, red, yellow and purple will be the hottest colors in

home decorating next year, offset by tinted and mid-tone neutrals, including metallics, which extend beyond gold to include copper, zinc, bronze and verdigris.

"We're also starting to see deeper neutrals, like mocha and taupe,"

Calavitta says. "Brown is a much more important color now. We're also starting to see gray, which we haven't seen for about 10-15 years. They are combined with mid-range colors."

The infusion of brown and gray in the home is a result of the recent popularity of these colors in the clothing industry. An easy way to predict color trends for the home is to look at color trends in high fashion. While many colors that are wearable are not suitable for wallcoverings, "hot" colors are infused into traditional wallcoverings patterns and textures to create comfortable looks that are fresh and timeless.

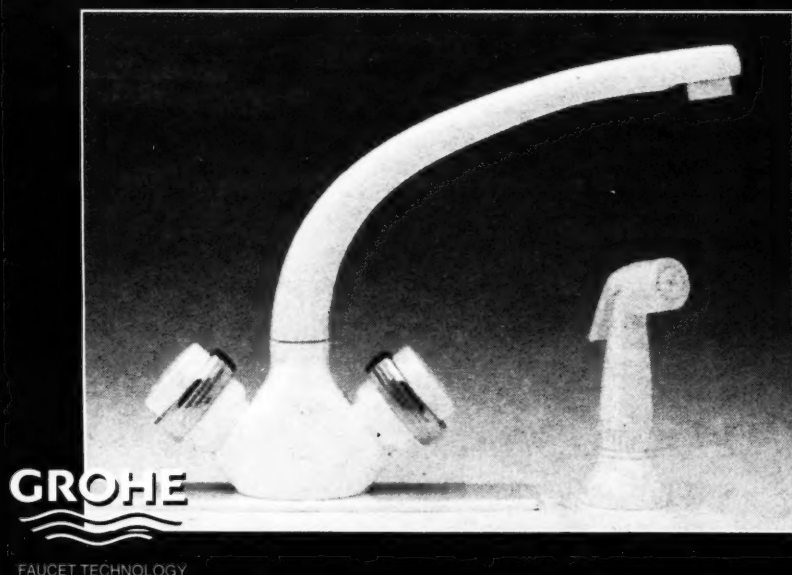
"I see a lot of neutrals, softer tones like beiges, with splashes of blues and purples, especially in borders," said David Byrd, coordinator of marketing design at Gilford. "People tend to go with traditional patterns in new colors, like these cooler tones."

"Adding wallcoverings has a dramatic, positive effect on a room," explains Alissa Neuzil, a recently married "Generation Xer" decorating her first home. "Wallcoverings can provide the colors, pattern and textures you just can't achieve with paint. Because of all the pattern options available today, it's easy to find a pattern you love in the colors you want."

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Hot hues in today's wallcoverings

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and texture choices available in today's wallcoverings, new colors are the key to a new wallcoverings look. According to The Color Marketing Group (CMG), the following colors will be hot by 2000.

Wild Berry - A pure, nearly true bright red.

Innocent Blush - A sheer pink that envelopes the viewer in softness and comfort. Feminine and nurturing, this color has slight peach undertones.

Red Rock - An Australian-influenced metallic color that will generate a re-introduction of iron ore hues.

Biscotti - A new neutral that is softer than the traditional camel.

Spaqua - A green interpretation of water imagery. Consider this hue as the edge color of a thick sheet of plate glass.

Wasabi - A nature-inspired hue from Asia, where foliage is more yellow than in North American and Europe. A sophisticated huge, this color is a sheer wash of celadon, faintly yellowed, with a whisper of gray.

Aero Blue - Timeless and spiritual, the color evokes memories of historical paint and wall covering colors. Envision a sky approaching dusk.

Atlantis Blue - A universal blue for all cultures, this shade is intense and iridescent. The slight influence of green adds a unique spark that slightly stirs the psyche.

Royal Plum - Spirituality and ceremonial ritual inspire this huge. A color icon of royalty and wealth, this

hue expands the purple palette with a color that is acceptable for all markets, and is especially suited for luxury products.

White Veil - Translucency, layering and novel coating technologies will push white into new tinted directions, creating chameleon appearances. White Veil is spoken of as nature's white, because its coolness and lack of purity are natural.

Aluminum Foil - Pure metal continues to interest many designers as a stand-alone product element, or juxtaposed against other materials. Aluminum foil is the coldest, most urban interpretation of silver yet.

Colorado Mist - Metallic or pearlized, this sophisticated neutral bridges beige and gray. It is described as a warm silver that is both Zen and urban.

While wallcovering trends in terms of pattern and design may not change drastically from year to year, experimentation with new wallcoverings color is a cost-effective and fun way to shake up traditional patterns or designs that grace our personal sanctuaries - our homes - while making the interior design investment less risky.

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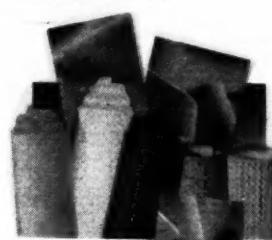
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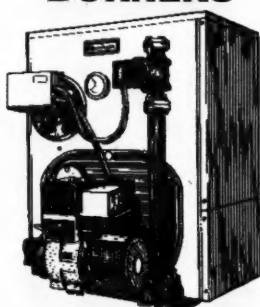
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Why wallpaper?

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1. Wallpaper is a great impersonator. It can change the visual appearance of your room in many ways.

Decide what you want to accomplish in each room in your home. How do you want to feel when you go into a particular room? Wallpaper, like a fine set of clothing helps you make the most of your room's strong points, while masking its weaker features.

Wallpaper:

- brightens a dark room
- adds character to a dull room
- warms up a room with no architectural features
- creates a cozy atmosphere
- frames the room's best features
- reveals your personality more than any other wall treatment

In addition, wallpaper featuring certain patterns such as stripes and overall prints to perform optical illusions that make rooms that ordinarily look too long, too boxy or have low ceilings appear more proportionate.

2. Wallpaper makes the greatest impact in your room, in a single-application. No other decorating product offers so much color, design and coverage to suit any mood, taste and need.

3. Wallpaper is economical. While many wall treatments may seem inexpensive, you have to consider the long-term care of them. Many of today's wallpaper varieties have a life of seven to ten years. In addition, wallpapers defined as scrubbable may be cleaned with soap, warm water and a gentle sponging - a must in the active family's busy where every square inch of space is used.

4. Wallpaper is easy to install. Don't be fooled! Hanging wallpaper is fun and easy - when you follow the manufacturer's instructions that come with each roll of your wallpaper. You also can speak to your local retailer who will be happy to provide helpful hints and tips to make your job easier. Many retailers, in fact, offer wallpaper hanging clinics geared to the first-time hanger. Make it a party. Invite a friend, put on some music and watch your walls come to life!

5. Wallpaper sets a theme. Use it throughout the house. Today's wallpaper collections are user-friendly, featuring a host of coordinating patterns, borders and color schemes that create a unified design theme throughout your home. Spread some personality in every room!

6. Wallpaper makes the most of your favorite things. Do you love sailing, golfing, the seashore? Do you collect pipes, dolls, china or impressionistic prints? Frame out a favorite collection or pastime with wallpaper that helps accentuate your favorite things.

7. Wallpaper creates detail where there once was none. Moved in to a house that has all the personality of a plain white box? Try some wallpaper. Wallpaper is the economical way to add missing architectural elements to your room without hiring a general contractor. Create a chair rail with a wallpaper border. Use a full-wall pattern cut into proportionate shapes to make a paneled effect up a wall leading to a vaulted ceiling. Draw attention to a fireplace focal-point wall by wrapping it with a strong pattern, or create a focal-point wall using the same strong pattern on any blank wall. All it takes is a little imagination.

8. Wallpaper coordinates with the looks you love. Today's wallpaper designers have captured virtually every fashion statement popular today from fresh country looks to upscale modern motifs.

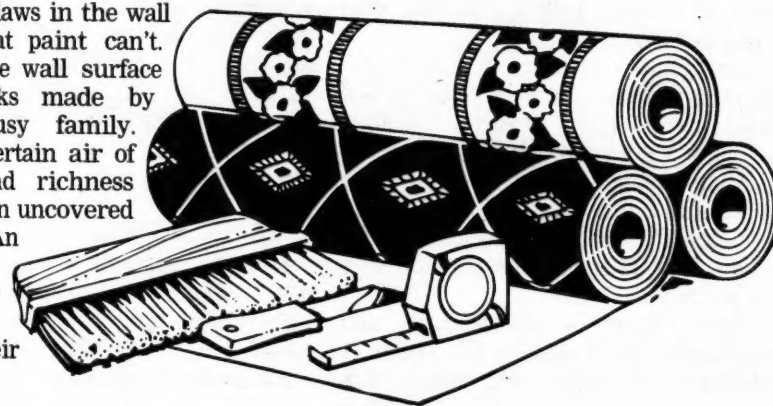
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